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SMETHPORT GARAGE COMPANY MOVING INTO ITS BUILDING ON MAIN STREET

IS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST UP TO DATE IN THIS PART OF STATE

The Smethport Garage is completed and the company is busy at present moving into its new quarters.

The new building, a handsome tapestry brick, is one of the largest in this section. It is of fire proof construction, being composed of brick, steel and concrete throughout. It has a 108 foot frontage on Main Street and 120 on Church street.

In the basement is the workshop, also wash rooms, toilets and shower bath of the employees. On the main floor the storage and stock rooms, accessory store and ladies rest room, also toilet rooms and public telephone pay stations.

A small show room is on the north-west corner.

The wing between the two buildings, 54 x 30 is used for a display room only. Underneath are six private stalls, built to hold one car each.

Three gasoline pumps are on a drive-in court, and the air and water service stand is out on the curb. Space in the rear of the building will be graded in the spring for a free parking space.

The Company will be in its new quarters and ready for business within a few days.

BOY SCOUT LEADERS ATTEND BRADFORD MEET LAST THURS.

Will Hold Banquet Saturday for Bradford Scouts.

Harry Heilmann, E. W. Strong and W. F. Specht attended the meeting held last Thursday evening at the Option House in Bradford, under the auspices of the Lions Club

Harry Heilmann, Boy Scout Master in Smethport, made a very interesting address in regard to scout activities. Compliments on his splendid management were given by the Kane Boy Scout committee.

Smethport Scouts are better equipped than any other troop in the county, and also have a permenent camp, this being the only troop camp in the county.

Only two more members are needed to complete the Smethport troop and then the doors will be closed on troop No. 1.

A banquet will be given Saturday evening at the Jail to the Bradford Boy Scouts, the object being to bring the Bradford and Smethport troops together.

TWO MEN INJURED ON LEASES LAST WEEK

Frank Camera a workman about 28 years of age who was employed on a lease at Simpson, belonging to Bert Thompson, was badly injured Thursday when he was struck on the back of the head by a water line.

Ernest Thompson a man about 50 years old, employed on the South Penn lease at Simpson, received a badly crushed right foot, when a cable snapped and hit him.

Dr. Robert Hamilton was called to attend both cases and states that their condition is much improved.

X-RAY SHOWS SUCCESS OF OPERATION

E. E. Bouton who was in Buffalo last week to consult Dr. Plummer, the noted specialist, found after an X-ray examination that his back was in perfect condition and that a period of rest would no doubt restore his health. Dr. Plummer performed an operation upon Mr. Bouton some time ago in which a diseased portion of the spine was removed, and a piece of the shin bone inserted. The X-ray showed that the bones had knit together perfectly.

MARRIED

Married at the Methodist parsonage, Tuesday, December 18, 1923, by the Rev. Guy Lawton, Fred L. Murray and Lenora May Freer of Betula, Pa.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR J. W. BUTZER

About twenty-five friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Butzer, gathered at their home on Monday evening for a farewell to Mr. Butzer who left Tuesday morning for Mt. Morris, N. Y., where he will assume the duties of station agent for the Penna., R. R. in that place.

The evening was pleasantly spent in visiting and delicious refreshments were served.

Mr. Butzer's people have been Smethport residents for nearly eleven years and have made a host of friends who regret very much to have them leave. The family will remain here until spring.

James Bloomster of Crosby will take his place here as soon as his health will permit.

1919 WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

We will be glad to assist everyone in the collection of their 1919 War Savings Stamps which mature on January 1st, 1924. Present them now.

HAMLIN BANK & TRUST CO.

BIG MEETING OF FIDELITY GRANGE WILL BE HELD JANUARY 2nd.

Will Entertain Delegates from Subordinate Granges.

A big meeting is being arranged to be held in Smethport Wednesday, January 2nd, 1924, with W. R. Gordon, the Rural Welfare expert from State College, T. E. Talbett, Steward of Pennsylvania State Grange, and State Deputy, and Hon. P. H. Dewey, Lecturer of Pennsylvania State Grange, as speakers.

The newly elected Masters, Lecturers and Secretaries of the subordinate granges of McKean County are expected to attend this meeting, which opens at 11 A. M. A banquet will be held at 1 P. M.

After the afternoon program, Hon. P. H. Dewey and T. E. Talbett will install the officers of Fidelity Grange. All members of the order are urged to attend. A banquet will be given in the evening by members of Fidelity Grange.

The program to be held in Quirks Hall is as follows:

11:00 Opening Song, by All.
11:10 Reading of the Code by T. E. Talbett, State Deputy.
1:00 Banquet at Mann's Restaurant
2:00 Song—Male Quartette.
2:15 Talk by State College Speaker W. R. Gordon. (Rural Welfare Work).
2:45 Solo—Mrs. A. L. Gallup.
3:00 Talk by P. H. Dewey, State Grange Lecturer. (Helps to the Lecturer).
3:30 Reading—Anna McCarey, County Deputy.
3:45 Talk by T. E. Talbett, (Duties of Masters and Secretaries).
4:15 Talk by P. S. Crossman, County Agent. (Farm Bureau and Grange).
4:30 Answering the questions of the Question Box.

TRAFFIC CENSORS AT FARMERS VALLEY MONDAY

Two Traffic Censors employed by the state were on duty Monday at the Farmers Valley turn. They were recording the number of teams, trucks etc., which passed the turn and their loads and destination. Every load over one half ton was recorded.

It has been surmised that their work had something to do with the projected widening of the Farmers Valley curve, but we are informed on good authority that such was not the case.

MRS. MARY HUSTED

Mrs. Mary Husted, of Port Allegany passed away Monday, from the ills incident to old age. She was formerly a resident of this place where she had many friends among the older inhabitants. She was a member of the Episcopal church at East Smethport, and a faithful attendant for many years.

She is survived by two granddaughters: May Wilson of Olean and Grace Doty of Perry, N. Y., and two grandsons: Bert Leech of Olean and Raymond Leech of Indian Creek.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 11:30 o'clock a. m., at All Saints Chapel, East Smethport. Rev. W. E. Van Dyke officiating. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Grange National Bank of McKean county, at Smethport, will be held at its Banking Office in the borough of Smethport, Pa., on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1924 from 12 m., until 2 p. m., for the Election of Directors.

E. E. DRAKE, Cashier
3t.

"WHEN SANTA LISTENED IN"

A Santa Claus cantata given by the Methodist Sunday School girls and boys, Thursday evening, December 20, 1923 at eight o'clock.

CORPSE OF INFANT FOUND IN BRADFORD

Man Walking Along B. R. & P. Tracks Discovers Body of Baby Protruding Above Frozen Ground.

A gruesome find was made Tuesday afternoon by William Burnett of Limestone street, as he was walking along the B. R. & P. tracks, opposite the Silk Mill. He happened to look down to the ground on the west side of the tracks and there he saw the head of an infant protruding from the frozen ground.

Mr. Burnett notified Health Officer LeRoy Peterson and the latter official with Officer Blake made an investigation this morning. They found that the ground around the small head was frozen hard so that had to procure a pick-axe from the silk mill with which to loosen the ground and remove are body of the infant, child, to which was frozen earth so that nothing could be seen of the remains excepting the head which protruded from it. The remains were placed in a paper and taken to the police station where the dirt is being thawed from the small corpse in order that the city physcian, Dr. J. B. Stewart may make an examination and determine the age of the infant. Who ever buried the dead body did not do a very good job for it occupied a shallow grave.

Chief Solt has taken charge of the case and will make a thorough investigation, assisted by the county detective, who ha sbeen notified of the terrible find, and by the health officer and the city physcian. It is the belief at this writing, of the police that the child was murdered after birth.—Star 19.

TUESDAY EVENING W. M. F. S. MEETS

An interesting meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was held Tuesday evening in the M. E. Church parlors. The topic for the evenin gwas. The Japanese Earthquake. Rev. Guy Lawton and Mrs. W. C. Daly both gave interesting talks, and the program was interspersed with piano solos by Miss Lena Southworth, and Miss Lenora Lemmler, and a vocal solo by Mrs. E. E. Bouton.

The refreshments committee consisting of Mrs. John B. Oviatt, Mrs. M. S. Jacobson, Mrs. Claude Hackett and Mrs. Glenni Chase served excellent refreshments.

Wish them a "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year" with cut flowers or plants grown by the Port Allegany Greenhouse, order at once of Mrs. M. E. G. Ventrees, Port Allegany, Pa. or Mrs. Bright, Water Street will also take your order. 1t.

ACETONE FACTORY TEMPORARLY CLOSED

The acetone factory at East Smethport which employs about 26 men, will be temporary closed about the first of the year. This shut down will be only for a short time. A few of the force will be retained straight through the season.

BESS-CRANDALL

Floyd A. Bess and Miss Myrtle May Crandall of Coleville, were united in marriage at the M. E. Parsonage, last Tuesday, by the Rev. Guy Lawton.

M. E. CHURCH SUPPER AND SALE VERY SUCCESSFUL

The Christfas Sale and Supper held by the members of the Priscilla club and the Ladies Aid of the M. E. church last Thursday evening was a decided success. Around $400 was the amount realized from the supper, and fancy work, candy and aprons.

WIFE CAUSES ARREST OF HUSBAND AND GIRL

B. L. HYDE'S HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE LAST SATURDAY NOON

B. L. Hyde, who lives on a farm on the Potato Creek road, about two miles east of here, had the misfortune to have his house completely destroyed by fire Saturday morning between twelve and one o'clock.

The fire which started in the pine ceiling of the kitchen, over the stove was discovered by Mrs. Hyde who hurried her five children ranging from two to fourteen years, from the burning building, then gave the alarm. So rapid was the spread of the flames, that before aid from the Smethport fire department could reach them, the house was doomed and strenuous efforts were required to save the barn and garage, in which were two cars one of which was damaged during the fire. Only a few pieces of furniture were saved and no clothing at all except what the family had on.

The three men of the family were away at the time of the fire, so were unable to give any assistance in saving the home.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but as gas was burned in the kitchen stove, the only reasonable theory is that, mice carried matches between the walls, where when lighted they soon caused a blaze in the dry pine ceiling.

Only $600 insurance was carried on the house, a very small sum in view of the loss sustained.

The Hydes are having a house moved from the Oviatt homestead on the Farmers Valley road about three miles below East Smethport to the site of the old house, and will occupy it within a few days.

PAIR PLEADED GUILTY TO CHARGES MADE--HUSBAND BEAT WIFE FREQUENTLY BROUGHT TO COUNTY JAIL

Finally seeking the aid of the law to prevent her husband, John Martin aged 40 years, from using her home as a love nest and her body as a punching bag, Mrs. Charlotte Martin of Lantz Corners, about eight miles from here, caused his arrest yesterday afternoon on a charge of assult and battery. The warrant was served by Constable John McKnall of this city and Martin was brought to Kane and given a hearing before Justice W. H. Bunce last night, at the conclusion of which he was held for court in the sum of $1000 bail.

Following this action Mrs. Martin also swore out warrants for the arrest of her husband and Miss Ruth Wiser, aged 20 years, charging the pair with adultry. A hearing on this charge was held before Justice Bunce this morning and both pleaded guilty. They were each placed under $1000 bail on this charge and being unable to furnish the necessary bond were committed to the county jail at Smethport to await trial.

According to the story told by Mrs. Martin she has been a terribly abused woman. She said the Wiser girl had been living at their home at different times for the past four years until last spring when she took up her permanent abode with them. The alleged relations between the girl and her husband led to frequent quarrels between herself and her husband, Mrs. Martin said, and a number of times he beat her as a result of the controversies.

She said that last Wednesday he beat her so severly that her body still plainly shows the marks and she determined not to put up with his abuse any longer and took her troubles to the authorities.

Martin who has been employed at the American Window Glass company's plant, owns an automobile and according to the wife's story the girl accompanied him in frequest trips in the car.—Kane 18.

SNOW FENCES TO PREVENT BLOCKADES

Are Being Erected On Kane-Mt. Jewett Highway—State Department Is Doing the Work.

Following the suggestion made early in the fall by the Republican the State Highway Department today started the erection of snow fences on the Kane-Mt. Jewett paved highway. There are nine or ten men at work in the crew and it is understood that these snow-drift preventatives will be erected at eight or nine points along the road.

The fences are constructed of boards and are six feet in height. Upwards of 800 feet of the fence will be built in the vicinity of Green dale, which is usually one of the worst places on the road when the snow-drifts form. There will also be protective structures at the Country Club, Kanesholm, Lantz Corners and at several other locations.

Last winter the Kane-Mt. Jewett highway was practically impassable for a good share of the winter and as a result caused great inconvenience to the traveling public because the Kane-Mt. Jewett Transit company could not run its busses between the two places.

Mail carriers had trouble in covering their routes and a number of farms along the way were isolated from the rest of the world for weeks at a stretch.

The suggestion made by The Republican that snow fences be erected met with quick endorsement by the transit company, the Business Mens Association and residents along the road with the result that the State Highway Department was brought to see the necessity for action to prevent another blockade this winter.—Kane 18.

JAN. 31 FINAL DAY TO USE '23 CAR LICENSES

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 15.—The state highway department today set February 1, 1924, as the date when automobile licenses for the new year must be carried.

A extension of one month was granted in order that no hadship may be felt by motorists who have failed to receive their tags through no fault of their own.

Registrar Ben G. Eynon said today that by February 1 the department will have caught up in its work of title registration and the issuance of new license tags.

Approximately 50,000 applications for title under the new law have not been on file, he said, taking the number fo vehicles registered to date—1,100,000—and the number of title applications received totalling 1,050,000.

Over 200,000 tags for 1924 have been issued, it was stated, leaving approximately 900,000 to be sent out from titles now on file. Distribution by the first of the year would be impracticable due to the fact that all are sent by mail and at this time of year the postoffice are congested with Christmas packages.

An inspection of the automobile division was made today by H. S. Silver, title registrar, and A. L. Fleming, motor supervisor of North Carolina, where a title law similar to the one in Pennsylvania was recently adopted. The duplicate record system employed here was commended by the southern officials.

FOR SALE

X-mas Trees by the Boy Scouts Troup No. 1. All persons wishing to buy X-mas Trees please call phone No. 170-M and leave your orders.
Prices $.75 to $1.00

REPORT ON BOY SCOUTS DRIVE AT LIONS MEET

A report on the meeting of civic organization of McKean County held last week to organize a first class Boy Scouts council was made at yesterday's noonday luncheon-meeting of the Lions Club in the Option House by Hon. R. A. Dresser. He said that the work of forming the organization is progressing rapidly and that much interest has been shown by men in all towns of the county.

Next week's session of the Lions being on Christmas Day, it was voted yesterday to meet Thursday noon instead. The following meeting will be held Thursday night, Jan. 3, when a group of Bradford Boy Scouts will entertain with a demonstration of their work. A good musical program also will be carried out.

A new song especially written for the Bradford Lions by Cub "Deacon" Dennis was introduced at yesterday's session. The song proved a decided hit and copies were taken home by the Lions who plan to practice their vocal dischords this week and be ready to bellow out the melody at the next gathering. Era—18.

KEYSTONE POWER CORP.

The Board of Directors of the Keystone Power Corporation has declared quarterly dividend No. 7 of one and three-quarters (1¾%) percent upon the preferred capital stock of the company, payable January 2, 1924, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 20, 1923.

C. C. McBRIDE
Treasurer

HAZELHURST.

Word was received on Dec. 13 of the death of Mrs. R. V. Leech formerly of this place, the remains was sent to Bradford, Pa., for burial.

Mrs. and Mrs. Floyd Kymer were called to Bradford by the death of the latters mother Mrs. R. V. Leech

Miss Ruby Crossland was in Smethport on Wednesday.

Mrs. May DeHaven was in Olean, N. Y., over Sunday calling on friends

Mrs. Lee Blowers and Mrs. Garnet Gouliere was in Smethport on Wednesday shopping.

Miss Mary Connors and Miss Davis Song and Miss Leahey, motored to Olean on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Galan Dodge were in Smethport on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nogar were Kane shoppers on Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Lock and Hazel Bills were in Smethport Tuesday.

Mr. Jerry Walker was in Bradford Friday.

Mr. Albert Anderson has returned to his position at Detroit, Mich., after a few days here with his mother.

Miss Mary Edgar of Mt. Jewett was a visitor in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reinard and Mrs. Jennie Stoddard were Kane shoppers Monday.

Miss Gertrude Fox who has been a patient in the Kane hospital for three weeks has returned to her home.

Mr. Harry Reinard of Kane spent Sunday in this place.

Miss Emma Fox who has been nursing in New York City has returned home to care for her sister.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bennette were Smethport shoppers Thursday.

The Christmas entertainments in the M. E. Church will be held on December 24th.

TURTLE POINT

Lovely weather we're having. The roads are almost impassable.

There have been lots of hunting but not much game, and no bear.

N. W. Taylor had the misfortune to fall from overhead in his barn one week ago last Saturday. As he fell from above a board followed and struck him in the back. He is unable to leave his bed but is improving rapidly.

The Smiths are contemplating moving their oil rig to the Hughes farm on Annin creek for the next location.

Dr. Reese the cancer specialist of Philadelphia has been treating cancers through this section for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lane are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Miss Katie Murphy is assisting with the house work for Mrs. Almond Tubs of Annin Creek.

The Hynes boy who was hurt some time ago has been home for some time and is improving rapidly.

Mrs. T. F. Hughes has been helping to take care of her father since his fall in the barn.

Jerome Taylor of Olean was home Sunday and Monday on account of his father's illness.

Patsy Murphy is doing the chores for Mr. Taylor during his illness.

Mrs. Sullivan and daughter Dorothy were Olean shoppers lately.

Charles Luce is doing a fine lot of plowing on the McGill place.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceedingly small!" has been quoted in connection with a thousand causes. Not often is it applicable to roads, but in at least one instance, no glove ever fitted tighter.

Two friends lived across a county line from each other; in the one county was good roads, connecting with the nearby county seat, in the other was opposition to good roads and no good connection with the county seat.

The two friends had many an argument on the subject, he of the good roads county exulting in what the good roads did for him, he who had poor roads being glad at the smallness of his taxes.

There seemed no winning the argument for either. The one had a definite saving in hauling and time the other had much smaller taxes.

Then the farm house and the barn where lived the opponent of good roads, caught fire. He telephoned instantly to his county seat meanwhile his friend was also crying "fire" to his county seat, over his telephone!

The fire engines from the up-to-date county seat arrived and put out the fire before those from the poor road county were seen!

Of course the poor-road advocate had to pay the cost of that fire run. It was not in his county! And of course the cost was much, much more than a road tax would have been. But he paid it cheerfully.

"Either we get good roads, next election, or I'm going to move across the line!" he said.

Adequate fire protection is just one of hundreds of reasons why any other kind of a road than a hard road is uneconomic, expensive, unreasonable, and foolish!

TWO BADLY HURT AS AUTO CRASHES INTO STREET CAR

Two persons were badly injured at the intersection of East State and Clinton streets in Olean, shortly after 11 o'clock last night when a heavy touring car crashed into an Olean, Bradford and Salamanca traction car bound for Portville.

The driver of the automobile, Paul Erohnapple, 143 Green street received two broken ribs and bad body bruises, while Mrs. Nellie H. Fitzgerald, 336 Laurel avenue, was badly injured about the head and face. A daughter of Mrs. Fitzgerald and other occupants of the car were uninjured.

The accident occurred, according to the story of motorman George Brandage, when the touring car which was proceeding down Clinton street, failed to make the turn into State street towards Union street. The motorman of the street car which left the waiting room at 11 o'clock in his report of the accident stated he had stopped to take on a passenger at Barry street and was just getting under motion again when the crash occured. There were six passengers on the traction car and they gave similar version of the accident, officials of the O. B. and S. R. R. declare.

The automobile was almost totally demolished and windows were broken out of the front vestibule of the street car.

The injured persons were removed by witnesses and passersby to the office of Dr. Howard nearby where first aid was given. Later they were removed to their homes.—Herald.

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Our Christmas Days as They Used to Be

SOMETIMES it seems as if the "olden days" were the best. Think of their Christmases! Where is the grace and generosity of those times? The warm welcome, the large cordiality, the mellow fun of innocent celebrations?

Perhaps we look back through the softening glow of distance, but there is a romance, a delicate, fine, flavor of something which indeed seems lost to us now.

How the neighbors rode through the snow on horseback to large gatherings! How the pretty girls were muffled in rugs and furs, skimming over the road in sleighs! How the bells rippled and rang! And how the wide doors flew open to greet these guests!

Light of candles . . . breath of pine wreaths . . . sprigs of holly . . . and the high thrill of holiday thoughts.

Laughing faces . . . graceful and the Virginia reel in the evening.

It is a heartsome thing to think about. Let us try to insert some of this gentle beauty and spirit into our Christmas day. We have not the leisure and spaciousness of those times, but hearts can reflect just as truly the invisible yet invincible power of love and loveliness.—Martha B. Thomas.

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Old Yuletide Hymn Favorite Everywhere

THERE is scarcely a church of any denomination that does not some time during the Christmas season echo to the strains of that beautiful and soul-inspiring hymn, "O, come all ye faithful." It seems to be a favorite at Yuletide in every land and in every clime, whether it is sung as above referred to, or in its original form as the "Adeste Fidelis."

The hymn was first given to the world in the Thirteenth century by a Franciscan monk, but did not gain world-wide popularity for a long time after. The English translation was made by Canon Frederick Oakley over sixty years ago. Since that time the hymn has been translated into the language of every nation and the sweet and lofty words ring out at Christmas time in many remote places.

But while the English translation has superseded the original Latin to a great extent, yet the beauty of the original composition is such that there are many who still prefer to hear it even though the language is not their own.—Katherine Edelman.

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Receiving Christmas Gifts Is a Fine Art

OF COURSE, every gift given means also a gift received. Christmas always has two sides, and certainly there is great joy in receiving the tokens of love and friendship that come to us, not because of their money value, for most gifts are bought for small sums, but because they convey to us an expression of someone's affection. I heard a young girl remark when a little gift came to her, "Well, that didn't break anyone's bank." What a pity. As if Christmas could have in it great joy for anyone who looked for the price tag on a gift. Our character is likely to be revealed by the spirit of our receiving quite as well as by the spirit of our giving. It is this fine art of receiving well that will not only make Christmas the more joyous, but will also be an all-year virtue, if it is cultivated in our hearts.—F. H. Sweet.

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LIKE MANY OTHERS

"She says her husband attends church regularly."

"Yes, he goes with her to the Christmas service every year."

SAFETY FIRST

The Christmas shoppers hesitated at the crowded street crossing. To try to get over seemed like an attempt to dodge fate. Automobiles dashed by in a continuous procession. The tall policeman, however, convoyed a group across like a battleship leading a flock of schooners. But one old lady lingered, afraid to launch away, until courage came with the policeman's assurance: "Come right along, ma'm, you're just as safe with me as if you was in God's pocket!"—C. G. Hazard.

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McKean Lodge, No. 388, meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 p. m., at Masonic Hall, Main street.

REV. W. E. VANDYKE, W. M.
W. F. SPECHT, Secretary.

I. O. O. F.

Smethport Lodge, No. 389, meets Friday evenings at 8 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Will work initiatory degree first meeting of each month; 1st degree on second, 2nd degree on third; and third degree on fourth meeting night.

ZEKE REYNOLDS, N. G.
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Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday evenings of each month, at 8 o'clock, in the I. O. O. F. Hall.

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P. H. C.

Smethport Branch, No. 25, meets on every Tuesday evening in I. O. O. F. Hall.

C. M. COLEGROVE, President
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7:45 a. m.—12:05 p. m.—3:00 p. m.
5:10 P. M. 11:00 P. M.

LEAVE SMETHPORT
9:15 a. m., 1:20 p. m. 4:30 p. m.
6:35 p. m.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
LEAVE BRADFORD.
8:30 a. m., 5:10 p. m. 10:30 p. m.
LEAVE SMETHPORT
10:00 a. m.—6:40 p.m.

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NEWS OF THE SECTION
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LETTERS TO APPEAR ON NEW AUTO PLATES

HARRISBURG, Dec. 12.—Certain distinguishing letters, as well as the numerals, will appear on the 1924 Pennsylvania automobile plates with the exception of those issued for passenger cars, the department of highways announced yesterday.

The numerals on the plates of state owned cars will be followed by the letter "S", while those used by manufacturers or dealers will be preceded by the letter "X". The numerals on plates for omnibuses will be preceded by the letter "O" those for trailers and semitrailers will bear the letters "TT" and those for tractors and traction engines, the letter "E".

The last nine letters of the alphabet with the exception of "X" will be used on plates issued to commercial vehicles which have been divided into eight classes based on the certified chassis weights.

RUMOR STARTED LAST SUMMER HAS REACHED OUT

During the past summer the constant rumor renewed itself about every two weeks of the gruesome find generally along most any country road in this vicinity that winds along a high and dangerous embankment, of a wrecked automobile at the foot of the cliff together with one or more bodies in a decomposed state that made identification impossible. Always the "find" according to the rumor was brought about by odor the wind wafted into the delicate nostrils of someone passing by, and always it was a mystery case, that is to say no one had heard of an auto wreck or of anyone being missing, which always added to the mysteriousness of the find.

Often the rumor was reported to the Press with every degree of earnestness, by the informant, in fact we ourselves sometimes half believed some "find" had been made.

A peculiar co-incident is that similar tales are constantly springing up in many localities all over this section. Not long ago it was down in Center county where hunters it was said discovered a wrecked auto in a deep ravine, containing human skeletons. Down in Indiana county a similar find was reported, but this discovery was made by a motorcyclist whose machine tossed him out in the brush. Similar coincidents have just been reported from DuBois and from State College. Some of the cars "found" bore licenses as old as 1920.

The peculiar part of this story is that having started here, at least local rumors date them ahead of the occurances by three months or more, the gruesome details floated over a wide territory until it would seem most any community where an out of date car and a human skeleton or two had been found in an isolated ravine was almost behind the times. Johnsonburg Press 14.

PORT ALLEGANY WOMAN NAMED BY GOVERNOR MOTHERS FUND BOARD

Mrs. Belle Lauer of Port Allegany yesterday was appointed a member of the county board of trustees of the Mothers Assistance Fund by Governor Pinchot, according to announcement made in Harrisburg. Mrs. Bertha E. Elston of Spartansburg was appointed a member of the Crawford county board and Mrs. Anna D. Heydrick and Mrs. Anita L. C. Miller of Franklin, and Mrs. Julia E. Dient of Emlenton, and Mrs. Thomas Nesbit of Utica were appointed on the Venango county board.—Kane Republican.

FIREMEN UNABLE TO SAVE $40,000 PIPE ORGAN NO INSURANCE

Confluence, Pa., Dec. 18.—A small heap of ruins this morning marked the spot where for 24 years has stood the First Baptist church, one of the most beautiful buildings in the city. Fire which broke out at six o'clock last night in the basement of the church due to an overheated furnace, caused a fire loss estimated at $127,000. The village fire department was unable to combat the flames in the church though they managed to save the pastorate ten feet away.

The flames were first noticed by the church sexton who noticed smoke pouring from a rear window. He called out the fire department, which was unable to fight the fire or locate its origin due to huge volumes of smoke. Seeing they would be unable to save the church building the firemen and citizens organization which banded together for the occasion, bent their efforts to saving the residence of the pastor, Rev. A. G. Lawton. The minister's furniture was carried into the street.

Included in the loss was a new $40,000 pipe organ which was being stored in the front part of the church preparatory to its erection January first. It was totally destroyed. The pastor's library, valued at $2000 was completely destroyed by the flames. The pastor's study was in the rear of the church. The congregation had just finished remodeling and redecorating the church to accomodate the new pipe organ. A new choir loft had been erected among other alterations. The cost of remodeling was $4,000 and this was included in the fire loss.

The church, a brick edifice, was erected 24 years ago at a cost of $75,000 and was valued at a much higher figure today. There was but a small amount of insurance carried.

The new pipe organ had been presented the church through the kindness of Rev. Charles H. Dodd, a former pastor, now in Germantown, Pa.

The church was free from debt, the congregation having recently paid off the last incumbrance. No plans for rebuilding have been made.

Nothing but most heroic efforts of the small band of firemen and citizens, saved the pastor's home. When the slate roof of the church collapsed the church was enveloped in a veritable wall of flame which out before the 18 amendment, threatened momentarily to catch the building. This morning there was nothing left of the church but part of one brick wall. The parsonage was only scorched.

"RUBBER STREETS"

One of the big rubber companies in Akron, Ohio is having a strip of rubber paving laid near its factory. It is an experiment, in which the city is co-operating. The rubber is in the form of blocks, said to be noiseless. If the experiment is successful, there will be an effort to persuade the city to use rubber generally instead of asphalt or wooden paving blocks.

It would be strangely appropriate if the "rubber city," which makes automobile tires for the world, were paved with rubber. If it were, there would be thousands of people from other cities moving to Akron in quest of quiet. Other cities might have to adopt the silent paving in self-defense.

It is agreed by physicians that the noise and jar of our modern cities are responsible for many nervous disorders and are destroyers of human efficiency even in the case of people who, dulled by custom, pay little attention to them.

How much nicer it would have been if this idea of rubber streets had been thought of and worked out before the 18 amendment.

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EDITORIAL

HOW ABOUT SANTA CLAUS

The usual argument is on about Santa Claus with the usual puzzlement of parents. Is he, or is he not? And if there really is a Santa Claus, what is he? It is distressing to most children to outgrow their belief, and distressing to many parents to see them outgrow it. What shall be done about the matter? How shall questions be answered?

Young children believe easily. Everything is equally wonderful to them. But disillusionment about no more important a personage than the genial Christmas saint may come early, and bring bitterness and cynicism crowding out other and more important matters of faith. Believing in Santa is to the child something like believing in God. And there are, in one case as in the other, two ways of believing.

"At one extreme," writes Dorothy Canfield, the novelist, "there is the heavily realistic, the presentation as of an actual fact, like the existence of the wheelbarrow in the back yard. This is really a lie, and is always found out to be such by children, with a period of corresponding disillusionment.

"At the other extreme there is a fanciful, imaginative telling of the quaint, friendly idea of Santa Claus, as little realistic as any other fairy story, which is little by little assimilated by the child without a shock."

And really, may not the latter idea be, whether true from the beginning? Comparing small things with great again, there is the "anthropomorphic" idea of God, which makes him merely a superhuman man, and there is St. Paul's idea of a mighty spirit and in truth. There are parents who, instead of representing Santa Claus to their children as a mere physical personage, hanging presents himself to children all over Christendom and capable of being seen and felt if he were caught in the act, represent him as a generous, powerful spirit who puts it into people's hearts to give presents and kindly services at Christmas time.

That idea need never be outgrown. Who can say that it is false? How can a spirit in whom millions of people believe and be real? Is not, therefore, the most creative force there is? Viewed in that way, there certainly is a Santa Claus, and dull is the heart of any man or woman who cannot feel his compelling power as Christmas draws near.—Era 17.

A GLANCE AT THE NEWS

Submitting to Congress last Monday the budget for the coming fiscal year, the President gave specific figures and emphasized his desire for the relief of the taxpayers from needless burdens. As he pointed out, this cannot be carried out if there are new expenditures on a large scale. He squarely indorsed the Mellon plan again and made clear that he was thoroughly in earnest in support of the policy there laid down. To the simple statement in his message that he does not favor the granting of a bonus he added the convincing argument that the government has no money; it does not take from pockets of the people; and that "the payment of a bonus to millions of our soldiers could only be accomplished at a loss to the whole community, including the veterans themselves, far outweighing the benefits intended to be conferred."—Phila. Enq.

The pressure of an overwhelming public sentiment is behind the President and the Secretary of the Treasury in this matter, and one result is seen in the purpose on the part of Congress to act promptly in the consideration of a tax-reduction measure. Of course there is a good deal of lining and haggling as to details. Members have their own ideas on the subject, and they are not all in accord with those of the Secretary. But it is sufficiently clear that they must get down to business and produce a bill within a reasonable time. The country is in no mood for delay.—Phila. Enq.

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IT CAN BE DONE

The good folks who may be called shovers in their relation to civic progress movements, are not usually opposed to progress. They want their home towns to grow and improve. But the thing that holds them back is the feeling of the great difficulties in the way. The "It can't be done" spirit has possession of their minds.

The way to meet that state of mind, is by facts and by reasoning, showing how progressive people have pushed other cities ahead. It can be demonstrated out of the experience of business men's organizations in innumerable communities that as a result of pushing and hustling, such and such very desirable results were obtained.

When an organization gets together its first job, and one it will have to work at constantly, is to fill the men with the "It can be done" spirit. Confidence and ambition will achieve wonders.

1923 BUSINESS GOING AHEAD OF LAST YEAR

Reports from manufacturers and wholesalers generally to R. G. Dun & Co.'s indicate an increase in volume of business as compared with 1922, tho in some lines quiet conditions prevail at this season.

Wholesale trade is running ahead of 1922, but buying is apparently to fill stocks and not so much to anticipate future needs.

Manufacturers of metal beds, gravity conveyors, etc., find sales well maintained thruout the country.

Wholesale grocery trade shows gain in volume as compared with October of last year.

Department stores also report gains in sales over last year collections, as a rule, both wholesale and retail, are satisfactory except in certain sections.

ECHOES OF THE NEWS

The Yukon River, in the far north, froze over at Dawson later this year than any winter in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. This means much to people in the Northern States, whose storms are believed to originate in the Yukon or Northwest Territories. Indians and settlers up North are reported standing pat on their predictions that this winter will average mild and open, with severe spells few and short.

STANDARDIZED BILLS

The first bills of the federal treasury's new standardized currency are now going into circulation. The purpose is to make bills of the same denomination look as much alike as possible, although there will still be three or four different kinds of paper money. Bills of different denominations will be made as unlike as possible.

Once the public becomes accustomed to the change it will no doubt be found very satisfactory. It increases the difficulty of raising a one-dollar bill to a ten, or a two to a two hundred. The standardization has been undertaken for the express purpose of baffling counterfeiters, not only by making their practices harder, but by making it easier for money clerks and tellers to recognize a genuine or a counterfeit bill.

Some of the first men and women to receive these new bills were afraid of them, believing them not genuine. But it is said that they will soon be in general circulation so that recipients of bills have only to study them a little, to become familiar with them.—Olean Herald.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Paul P. Wise, Greeting:—

Take notice that the City of Bradford has filed its claim in our Court of Commos Pleas of McKean County, Penna., at No. 14 Dec. Term, 1918, M. L. D. for sum of $150.71, with interest from July 11th, 1918, for pavement of Sherman Street between South Avenue and right of way of Erie Railway Company against your property on said street known as Lot Number 73, as per Sherman Street Paving Assessment Map on File in Recorder's Office of McKean County. Said claim is still due and unpaid and remains a lien against said property. You are hereby notified to file your affidavit of defense to said claim, if defense you have, thereto, in the office of Prothonotary of our said Court, within fifteen days after service of this writ. Failing in this judgment may be entered against you for the whole claim and the property sold to recover the amount thereof.

J. F. ROBINSON, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office,
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DIVORCE NOTICE

Florence B. Gordon
vs.
Calvin L. Gordon.

No. 67 October Term, 1923.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

Whereas Florence B. Gordon, did on the 10th day of July, 1923 prefer her petition to the said Judges of the Court of Common Pleas thereon set forth that she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Calvin L. Gordon.

We therefore command you, the said Calvin L. Gordon, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas here to be held for the County of McKean on the 25th day of February, 1924, next and show cause if any you have why the said Calvin L. Gordon, your wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

J. F. ROBINSON, Sheriff.
Gallup & Potter,
Attys for Libellant.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa.
December 13th, 1923.
Adv 50-4t.

DIVORCE NOTICE

Carl E. Mattison
vs.
Helen L. Mattison

No. 99 October Term, 1923.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

Whereas Carl E. Mattison, did on the 26th day of July, 1923 prefer his petition to our said Judges of the Court of Common Pleas therein set forth that he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Helen L. Mattison.

We therefore command you, the said Helen L. Matteon, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas here to be held for the County of McKean on the 28th day of January, 1923, next and show cause if any you have why the said Carl E. Mattison, your husband should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

J. F. ROBINSON, Sheriff.
Curtis M. Shawkey,
Atty for Libellant.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa.
December 13th, 1923.
Adv 50-4t.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL METING.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Hamlin Bank & Trust Co. for the election of nine directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business may properly come before the meeting will be held in the office of the company 333 West Main St. Smethport, Penna., Wednesday, January 9th, 1924, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

GUY McCOY, Secretary
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December 18th, 1923.
Adv. 13,20,Jan.4

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One of Smethport's prominent society matrons was shopping in a down town drug store the other day. She was searching for a lavender powder or sachet, but could not recall the name.

Approaching a clerk she said: "I want some of that powder you put between sheets and linens."

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The deposits are so conveniently arranged that you will have no trouble or inconvenience in keeping them up.

You can save for Christmas or for any other purpose.

There are no restrictions regarding membership. Any person desiring to do so may join.

To become a member, you simply make the first deposit in one or more classes and keep up the subsequent payments with due regularity.

You will receive your entire savings when Santa comes around.

The purpose of our Christmas Club is not only to help you and others, to save for Christmas, but to encourage the habit of saving generally. Children are especially welcome. It will prove both beneficial and educational for them to belong. Enroll the entire family.

GARDEN CITY TO HAVE NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Olean, Dec. 17.—Plans and specifications for a new school building in Seneca Heights, Olean's Garden City in the South Side, have been ordered by the board of education. The board expects to open bids for contract for the building by January 18, next, and work it is expected will be started in the spring. Seneca Heights, late out across the Allegany river four years ago, has grown rapidly, and the building of the school was authorized in a special election April 6, 1922. The building committee of the board of education has been empowered to proceed with construction according to plans of the architect.

BRADFORD MAN NABBED

Bradford, Dec. 15—Ralph Vartule of 10 East Washington street, was placed under arrest yesterday forenoon by Chief of Police Solt and Patrolman Fairbanks, on a warrant charging him with selling whiskey. The warrant was issued by Alderman Foley, on information made against Vartule by Chief Solt who has two witnesses who claim they bought liquor from Vartule on Dec. 8 and 9th.

Vartule was arraigned yesterday afternoon before Alderman Foley for a hearing when the two witnesses appeared and testified.

He was held for court in the sum of $2000 bail and was taken to Smethport. Vartule is a young man who moved here about two months ago from New York. He has a wife and child.

ARGUMENT COURT FOR TUESDAY JANUARY 8, 1924

1. In the matter of the adoption of Dorothy Buckner Kean and John Spencer Churchill Kean, minor children, by James L. Hobday.
   No. 15, December Term, 1922.
   Rule to show cause why the prayer of the petition should not be granted.
2. Frank Caterina vs. Paul Filer.
   No. 111, December Term, 1922.
   E. D. 29, December Term, 1922.
   Rule to show cause why an issue should not be framed to determine the ownership of the goods and chattels.

Brown, Schoonmaker & Nash,
for Plaintiff.

3. Thomas H. Kervin vs. Wm. Bradley and R. E. Bradley, trading as Wm. Bradley & Son.
   No. 16, June Term, 1923.
   E. D. 2, June Term, 1923.
   Rule to show cause why an issue should not be framed to determine the ownership of the goods and chattels.

Brown, Schoonmaker & Nash,
for Plaintiff.

4. Mount Jewett, Kinzua and Riterville Railroad Company, a corporation vs. Mae Keenan.
   No. 33, June Term, 1923.
   Certiorari.

Gallup & Potter, for Plaintiff. E. L. Keenan, for Defendant.

5. J. M. Ertz vs. Olean Garment Mfg. Co., Harry Offenbach, Edw I. Lovitz.
   No. 48, June Term, 1923.
   Rule to show cause why judgment should not be opened and defendants let into a defense.

Melvin & Melvin,
for Plaintiff.

6. E. L. McDermott, now for use of Catherine McDermott vs. A. F. Cupp.
   No. 127, October Term, 1923.
   E. D. 21, October Term, 1923.
   Rule to show cause why Judgment should not be opened and defendant let into a defense.

R. J. Campbell,
for Plaintiff.

7. In the matter of the Petition of W. J. O'Brien for satisfaction of Mortgage.
   No. 2, June Term, 1923.
   For hearing.
8. Arthur R. Buck and U. B. Russell vs. Armstrong Forest Company.
   No. 2, October Term, 1923, In Equity.
   For Argument on Demurrer.

W. F. DuBois, Thomas H. Morrison,
E. G. Potter, Guy B. Mayo,
for Plaintiff. for Defendant.

9. Laura McLaughlin vs. Edward McLaughlin.
   No. 93, October Term, 1923.
   Rule to show cause why Respondent should not pay counsel fees and Alimony to Libellant.

Wilson & Fitzgibbon,
For Libellant.

10. Jay Stickles vs. E. A. Stickles.
    No. 134, October Term, 1923.
    Certiorari.

John N. Apple,
for Defendant.

11. Clara M. Lang vs. Donald W. Lang.
    No. 57, December Term, 1923.
    Rule to show cause why Respondent should not pay counsel fees and expenses to Libellant.

T. F. Mullin,
For Libellant.

12. Frank Johnson vs. Christine Johnson.
    No. 92, October Term, 1923.
    Rule to show cause why a Jury trial should not be awarded and an issue framed.

Wilson & Fitzgibbon, C. W. Shattuck,
For Libellant. for Respondent.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LISTER TERETTE, LATE OF CERES TOWNSHIP, McKEAN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, E. T. McDowell, Administrator of the above Estate, will make application to the Orphans' Court of McKean County, on January 8th, 1924, at two o'clock, P. M., for authority to sell at private sale for the payment of decedent's debts, and to convey the farm of said decedent in Ceres Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, more fully described in a certain mortgage dated April 19th, 1920, and recorded in Mortgage Book Vol. 95, page 35, records of McKean County, and consisting of about one hundred twelve (112) acres of land, with one frame dwelling house, frame barn and other outbuildings situate thereon.

The sale of this land is intended to be free and clear of all encumbrances, except as to the life lease of Martha Terette, widow of Henry Terette.

The name of the proposed purchaser is Frank Eastman and the price offered is Four Thousand Five Hundred ($4,500) dollars cash, or its equivalent, on the delivery of the deed.

Any party interested in this estate or otherwise may appear and be heard on said return day.

E. T. McDOWELL,
Administrator.

Dated December 12, 1923.

W. F. DUBOIS,
Attorney for Administrator.
Adv. Dec13 Jo3an4

ROBIN REDBREAST.

Goodby, goodby to summer!
For summer's nearly done;
The garden smiling faintly,
Cool breezes in the sun;
Our thrushes now are silent,
Our swallows flown away,
But Robin's here, in coat of brown,
With ruddy breast knot gay.
Robin, Robin Redbreast,
O Robin dear!
Robin singing sweetly
In the falling of the year.

Bright yellow, red and orange,
The leaves come down in hosts;
The trees are Indian princes,
But soon they'll turn to ghosts;
The scanty pears and apples
Hang russet on the bough,
It's autumn, autumn, autumn late,
'Twill soon be winter now.
Robin, Robin Redbreast,
O Robin dear!
And what will you do, my Robin,
For pinching times are near.

The fireside for the cricket,
The wheat stack for the mouse,
When trembling night winds whistle
And moan all around the house;
The frosty ways like iron,
The branches plumed with snow—
Alas! in winter, dead and dark,
Where can poor Robin go?
Robin, Robin Redbreast,
O Robin dear!
And a crumb of bread for Robin,
His little heart to cheer.

—William Allingham.

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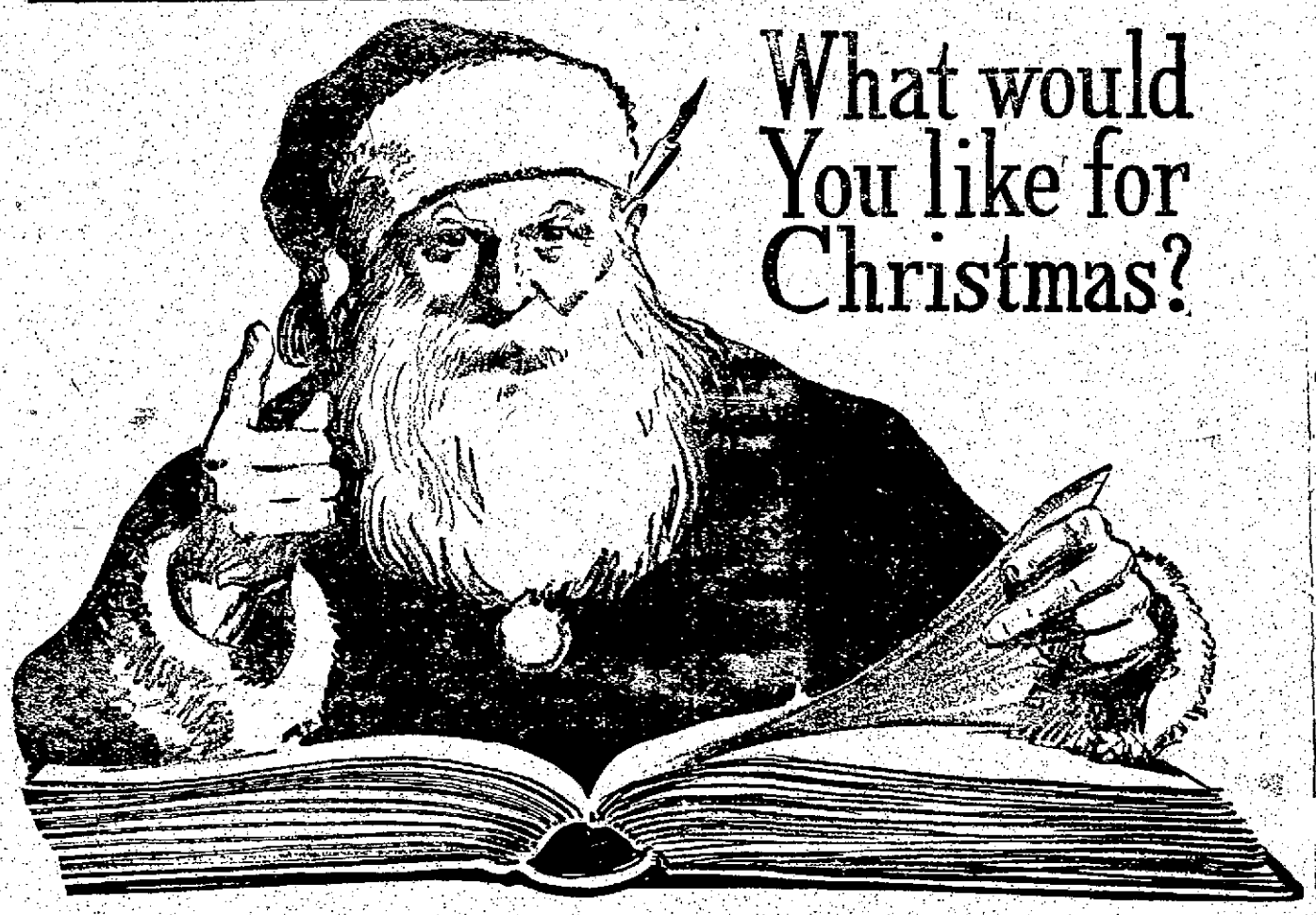

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Presents from Santa

Christmas Spirit Made Itself Felt

By MARION FRANCES HAMILTON

Lonely Woman Spread Yuletide Cheer by Giving Girl Agent a Happy Home

"ONE of those pestering agents again I bet," Bertha Prescot said to herself as the door bell pealed just as she was about ready to sit down to lunch. "I have a mind not to answer it at all, I have."

But she did answer it, just as soon as she had covered the fire under the bubbling coffee pot, to find that her surmise was correct. It was an agent who rang the bell, and worst of all, a book agent.

She spoke as soon as the door had opened a few inches and before Bertha had time to frame the words that were on her lips. "Mightn't I sell you a copy of this little book today? The cost is only fifty cents and you will find it well worth the price."

Not many words coming from an agent, Bertha thought. Heretofore the ones who had come had been for all the world like a talking machine that had been wound up and the only way of stopping them was to be positively rude. This one must be different, Bertha thought.

Perhaps it was that it was nearly Christmas time and that Bertha Prescot's heart was a bit more tender than usual, or it might be due to the fact that this agent was young and had a sort of wistful appeal about her, or it might be because she was so different from the others that had come and lacked the unending flow of words they had all seemed to possess, but whatever was the cause Bertha Prescot did—an unheard of thing for her—she invited the agent into the house and actually asked her out into the cozy kitchen to have lunch with her.

"Poor dear," she was saying to herself a few minutes later, "she must have been actually hungry. And I came very close to not letting her in."

After lunch was finished Bertha drew from the girl a little of her story—illness, the loss of her position, and finally her trying her hand at selling books. Through it all Bertha could see the brave spirit of the girl and the untold hardships that she had endured during the time since her illness. She could also detect how near to despair the little agent had been when she came to her door.

Then Bertha Prescot did another unheard of thing for her—she told the little agent of the loneliness in her heart and of the little girl she had lost in the long ago, and of how empty her life had been ever since. And when she had finished she asked the girl if she would not stay with her [illegible] time and there [illegible] her eyes and

Christmas Seems Worth While

Oft, Christmas is a nuisance,
We sometimes think and say—
Such a lot of work and worry
Just for one short day!
Hard-earned money squandered,
Weary heads and feet—
Useless go'ing, senseless striving
In the struggle to compete!

Yet, on Christmas morning,
When we hear the children's cries
Reading little stockings
In raptures of surprise,
When we open parcels
That loving hands have wrapt,
Seems like springs of kindness
In our hearts are tapped.
Seems our thoughts grow gentler,
More tender is the smile!
Yes, on Christmas morning,
Christmas seems worth while.

—Ella Bissell Chatfield in Farm Life.

And so, because the spirit of Christmas was abroad and made itself felt, these two lonely souls, who needed each other sorely were brought together and made happy, and when Christmas had passed and gone they found that their need of each other was still great and the short visit that the little agent was supposed to make became permanent.

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JUST THE USUAL THING

Mrs. Sun—What do you expect for Christmas, Mrs. Moon?

Mrs. Moon (wearily)—Oh, just the usual things. A set of satellites; star earrings, a gray cloud scarf and that old, everlasting dipper that never wears out.—M. B. Thomas.

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YEAR BY YEAR, IT IS SO

Every Christmas, year by year, in every way, we are getting broker and broker and happier and happier. We suppose a man who comes out of Christmas with a million dollars is awfully miserable.

Christmas New to Him

His Dinner for Christmas Day

By F. H. SWEET

Girl Discovered Acrobatic Tramp Purloining Poultry for a Yuletide Feast.

Intruder Impaled on Window Nails, but Was Saved by New Friend

THE chicken squawked. I slid a swift hand to its neck and stilled it. This made the fifth and I went into the bag with a spleeful lunge. I was angry at the clumsy work. A squawk was a dead give-away of new fingers, and mine were old. Of course it was a dog barking in the house path and my turning at the instant of clutching. But that was no excuse for a regular. I was getting so cocksure of myself as to be careless.

My hand shot out again and another chicken went into the bag. That made six, the number I boasted I would bring, and a fine feast for even ten hungry hoboes in a woods camp—our Christmas dinner.

But I always liked to do a little more than I promised. I would take an extra one for good measure—a nice fat one. My eyes peered along the finely outlined forms on the roosts, and—

"Hello," said a voice at the door.

I gasped audibly. Sharp ears were another thing I prided myself on, and this person had appeared at the door as noiselessly as I could have myself. The two breaks rattled me.

High up at one end was a little square window, the sash out to admit air. My eyes were as quick and accurate as my fingers, and my body had once belonged to an acrobat boy in a circus. Almost with the word from the doorway my knees bent and straightened into a swift spring, my arms in front and my palms together like a person diving.

Then the humor of it struck me, and I chuckled. "Winder hole wan't quick enough fo grabbin', so missed my neck, leavin' me to squawk—same's I did number five chicken. Guess 'twas all comin' to me. Say," raising my voice, "you him who spoke, come on' get me. I've enough an' am holdin' myself. Don't s'pose there's any reward comin' to me, Christmas, you know."

It was still fairly light outside and my head suspended five or six feet from the ground.

A cautious step came 'round the corner.

"Ain't scared of me crossed up like this, are you?" I jeered; "an' still, if 't wan't for that nail grindin' into me when I go to turn as quick an' say hello' turned wrong side 'round, I could use my fists like anything. I'm good with fists. Don't get your gun an' shoot while shootin's good. An"—great snakes!" as the figure came within range of my screwed 'round face—"a girl—an' pretty as a picture, 'T wan't you that spoke?"

"Yes; it was, but I spoke deep's I could to sound like a man. There's

"Another Chicken Went Into the Bag."

hoboes ain't good to meet when they get their stealin's on 'em. But I sure did set you going."

Her tinkling laugh sounded pleasant even in my unappreciative position.

"Of course I came 'round the corner slow, not being sure you meant to stay. And say, I never did have a real adventure before, with me as heroine. It's just like a book. An' you do look so funny. I'm enjoyin' myself."

"So'm I. An' I feel funny—just as funny's can be. An' of course I wouldn't be polite. You bluffed me to thinkin' you a man. That's why I started my high dive. Ou-u-ch!"

"Winder pinches, does it?" laughed the girl. "Carpenter who made it didn't know his business."

"Knowed—it—too—well," I groaned, between breaths, "'specially when he driv them nails. I—was twisting 'round to see you better, an'—ouch! W-h-e-w! Them nails are cuttin' me right in two. Fust we—know I'll be droppin' half inside an' half out."

The girl uttered a low cry of commiseration.

"I—I didn't know," she apologized contritely. "I wouldn't have laughed. I thought 'twas just bein' squeezed too tight. Could I pull—"

"Not on your life," I cried hastily. "It would only help the nails, not me. Maybe if one side of the frame could be pried off, makin' the winder bigger. I felt it wiggle like 'twas loose when I stuck in."

"But you're an awful hobo, tramp who steals an' all," hesitated the girl. "Maybe I'd better wait till the master comes back from breakin' up your pestiferous camp. But he'd slap you right in jail with the others."

"Hey!" I clucked in a startled voice—"the camp? What about the camp?"

"Yes, you've been watched. A man was hid all day in the top of a pine near the edge of the swamp, watchin' your comin's an' goin's. Folks got tired o' hens stole an' watchdogs pizened, an' such like. The master an' 'bout a dozen men, with the constable, are cleanin' 'em up right now. He told me to stay 'round the poultry house an' watch—though 't wan't likely anybody would come so early."

"An' was you there all the time?" I asked, in a depressed voice.

"Right in the corner, in the shadow. I was sort o' scared when you slipped in; an' besides, I wa'n't sure. So I waited. But it'll be an hour or so 'fore the master gets back, an' you'll keep on hurtin'."

"That don't matter none now," I said hopelessly. "Nothin' matters. It's the pen for me. When they're caught, all them hoboes are goin' to spill on me to try to save themselves. They've been playin' slim with me. I see it now. I bragged I was smart, so they shoved me to the front an' kept pattin' an' tellin' me what a kingbird I was. Huh! I done most of the stealin'. I killed the two watchdogs. Just leave me hangin' here to get sort of used to what's comin'."

The girl hesitated, moving closer.

"Don't talk as if you was all bad," she considered. "An' I like your voice. Let me see your face plainer."

But my face was toward the wall, my body limp and dejected. She placed a hand on my head and turned my face toward her.

"Ugly lookin' phiz, ain't it?" I jeered. "Better get a rope an' tie my hands."

"But You an' Me Know Better."

I'm great with my fists—lovin', you know. An' you're close enough for me to mash your right now."

But she paid no attention. She studied my face a few moments, then patted my cheek softly.

"Why, you're lookin' but a boy," she said pityingly, "nothin' but just—a boy."

"I'm past twenty-one," indignantly. "I'm old enough to know what I'm doin', and to take my medicine."

"Just a boy," she repeated. "Now you wait a minute. I won't be gone long."

She hurried away, soon returning with a tall stepladder, which she placed against the wall. Mounting to the second step she put her arms under my shoulders.

"We'll lay your head an' shoulders on this step-ladder so you'll be level an' easy," she said cheerfully; "then I'll pry off a side piece, like you said, I've noticed it's loose."

In ten minutes she had me free, standing on the ground beside her. But I felt no animation.

"T'was'n't worth the trouble," I grinned, "though I'm just as much obliged. But I've got out tramp clothes on, an' with the country roused they'd spot me ten miles off an' run me in. Then the gang will throw all the stuff on me, an' make it good an' strong. No, I'll just stay here till the men come back. I see now I wa'n't cut out for a hobo, anyhow, an' I've been suspicioun' it for some time. I'm too grass green for one thing, an'—an' they're too cheap for another. My real work is diggin' in dirt like I started out. An' if it hadn't been for an uncle who put two men's work on me an' pesterin' my life out, while his own boys were goin' to school, I'd be at it now. Fact is, I ain't much."

"Nor me," returned the girl sympathetically. "I'm only second girl in the kitchen an' they keep dribblin' into me I'm no 'count. But you an' me know better. We're a whole lot. It's only other folks' envy."

My face cleared and I laughed.

"Guess you're right," I agreed. "Anyhow, you're some girl. An' say, I want you to remember me as Reynolds. That's my real, not 'Rat' like the hoboes call me. Now you run into the house an' tell the men, when they come, that I'll be sittin' out here."

"Don't be silly, Reynolds, I've been studyin' it out. Would anybody know you 'round here?"

"None but the gang. I've worked in the dark—unless by the clothes."

"Then it's all right. Now there's a little room in back the hen roost where we keep chicken feed. I have the whole care of it an' keep the key. I'll lock you in there an' bring out some supper an' some peroxide to clean the hurt places with. An' in the mornin' when I slip your breakfast I'll bring some clothes a visitor left here once. They're pretty good, an' 'bout your size. You put 'em on an' come straight to the kitchen door."

"All right," I promised. "But what's the idea—give myself up?"

"Silly again. You're goin' to work. The master has been tellin' us to be on the lookout for a man to do his gardenin'. Good help's scarce, an' he'll snatch you up. An'—an' them dead chickens in the bag I'll fix up for dinner. I'd have to get some anyway, for company is comin'. Christmas dinner, you know."

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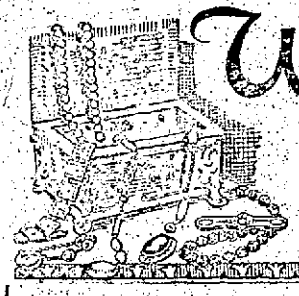

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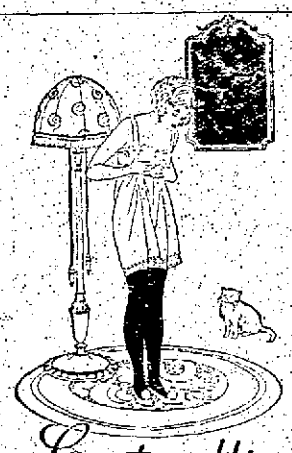

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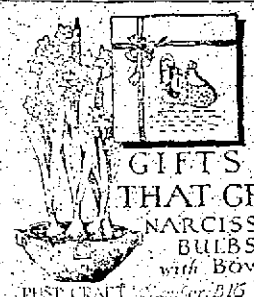

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Miss Tilly was comfortably situated and had a "neat, tidy income." She never had to worry about the gas bill or the butcher's bill or the coal in the cellar. But let it be said at once that she worried about other people's bills and found many quiet opportunities to help them out, that is—the bills and the people.

It was a source of great bewilderment how much Miss Tilly knew about other folks' affairs. Not in a prying, inquisitive way, but in a generous, smiling one. It seemed as though she made a point of learning about all those who needed a bit of encouragement or help. And all this interest on Miss Tilly's part served as the foundation of the "sunshine factory."

Take that blustering, bleak afternoon two days before Christmas, when Mrs. Billings fairly blew into Miss Tilly's front hall. Her arms were full of bundles; she was breathless with struggling against the wind, and she was wiping away the half-dozen tears from her cheeks.

Miss Tilly bustled out, took all the bundles and escorted Mrs. Billings to a chair near the fire.

"Now, do tell me all about everything," smiled the hostess, "as soon as you get your breath. I'm eager to know if you found out exactly what Pa Saunders wanted most, and if Miss Susie needed some overshoes, as I thought, and how many children loved candy canes better than oranges, and—"

Mrs. Billings smoothed out her skirts, folded her hands in her lap, cleared her throat and said: "Miss Tilly, if half the people in this town knew how good you were, they'd feel pretty small and mean. There isn't a person who looks after folks the way you do, and you won't let me say a single word about it."

Miss Tilly laughed. "What's the use? I get a lot of fun out of discovering what people need and then sending it to them. I feel like Santa's second cousin. Now, tell me about everybody."

"Well," began Mrs. Billings, "Pa Saunders said that of all things he'd like best was one of those little bulbs of Japanese lilies. Isn't that just like him? He needs wood for his stove, but he said he always hankered after seeing one of those bulbs grow, so I got half a dozen and a jar filled with pebbles."

"Yes," said Miss Tilly, "I'm glad he likes the lilies. We'll send some wood, too."

"And Miss Susie looked a little wistful and said she wanted some of those new fashionable boots with big tops and wrinkles at the heel!"

"Oh, dear Miss Susie!" laughed Miss Tilly again, "how absurd and lovable she is!"

"So I bought a black pair with astrakhan around the tops, or imitation. And all the children I spoke to wanted oranges and candy canes, so I've had five dozen of each sent up here. I selected ten wreaths from the little girl who isn't very well and makes them to help her mother earn money, and I bought half a dozen books for the folks who can't get about much."

Miss Tilly beamed. "Now, let's take them into the 'sunshine factory' and do them up, or at least those things you've brought with you."

She led Mrs. Billings to a large room on the second floor. This room had no furniture but long tables and a chair or two. Over the door was tacked a small sign: "Sunshine Factory" was printed on it. Evidently the sunshine was the important part, for it was printed in larger letters.

Here were piled great heaps of Christmas presents, wrapped and tied and tagged. And every gift was something that somebody wanted more than anything else, for Mrs. Billings acted as a clever spy. It was her business to discover what people wanted. Miss Tilly was the general to whom she reported.

"I've hired two boys," remarked this rosy general, "to take the gifts around Christmas eve. And I've pasted a tiny label on each present—from the 'Sunshine Factory.' Here's one that gave me the most pleasure of all. You must never, never tell."

Miss Tilly opened a small, gray velvet box; sparkling on blue satin was a small diamond ring. "This is for Billy Saunders. He's the best lad in town and is in love with that pretty Molly Sherwood. He wants to marry her, and can in a couple of years, but he doesn't dare ask her because he can't afford an engagement ring just now. I can't bear to see them unhappy. Youth should be glorious with dreams. I've known him ever since he stole apples out of my orchard. Bless him! This gift I'll take myself, or he'd never accept it."

Mrs. Billings planted a warm, resounding kiss upon the flushed cheeks of Miss Tilly.

"I shall burst trying to keep these things to myself, but I promise not to tell. You are the best woman that

ever lived, and the only one who owns a 'Sunshine factory.' You bring happiness to the whole town and then pretend to be surprised when the people tell you about the mysterious presents they receive. Some day I shall pin a sign on your back."

"What sign?"

"'Ask and ye shall receive!'"

"Pshaw!" said Miss Tilly, but her eyes were very bright.

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SQUARE WITH THE GAME

Husband—Have you bought a Christmas present for Aunt Matilda yet?

Wife—No, I'm waiting until we get hers.

Husband—Why?

Wife—She always sends us a check!—M. B. Thomas.

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Just Before Christmas

JOHNNIE rises long 'fore day—
Wants to make the fire;
"Such a smart one!" neighbors say,
"Boy we all admire."

Never doin' things that's wrong,
Far from duty straying;
Helps his mother right along—
Never catch him playing!

"Not another boy like John!"
Proudly says his mother;
"Dunno how the world moves on,
Since they ain't no other!"

"Why is it Johnnie's workin' so?"
The eager children cry;
"Well, Christmas ain't far off, you know—
You'll find out by an' by!"

—Atlanta Constitution

Put Christmas Wreath in Its Rightful Place

THEY were putting up the Christmas tree in the village community house with happy anticipations. Meanwhile two little folks and a dog were enjoying themselves on a big ice cake along the bay shore. As the ice moved off with the tide the children laughed with delight, but Pluto, after dropping his tail and thinking a moment, surprised them by giving a rippling leap into the water and striking out for the shore.

Not long after, Silas Gannett opened the door of his boat house to see what the dog was barking about and was greeted with a shower as Pluto shook himself. Then the dog ran in, stood upon his hind legs and bowed, looking his eyes towards the open door. As Silas did not understand this Pluto caught hold of his coat and pulled him towards the doorway. Thinking that the dog meant something, Silas finally looked out and saw the ice floating seaward with the two small figures upon it.

It did not take the old fisherman long to get his boat down to the water and push it out through the floating ice, and soon two youngsters and a happy dog were huddled up in the bow of the returning boat.

After the carols were sung that night, they put the holly wreath that had graced the top of the tree upon Silas Gannett's neck, but Silas took it off and put it upon Pluto and he acted as though he knew that he deserved it.—Christopher G. Hazard.

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Gay Christmas Thrill the Greatest of All

THE love in our hearts toward our fellowmen; the happy, expectant, gay acceptance of children of all their joyous, merry voices; the pure, white, soft beauty of snow, that deeply garnishing breasts of the forests which for a brief period we bring into our homes; the cheer of the home fireplace; the bringing together in all members of the family the spirit and the enthusiasm of Christmas shoppers; the stores, decorated and looking their best in holiday attire; the cordial, heart-felt greetings which are extended to us and which we extend to others; the renewing of old-time friendships by the sending of a bright Christmas card; the generosity on every side toward all the spirits which ring out the Christmas spirit of love; the bright, sparkling star twinkling down from the heavens above; the shopping and the hurry of the Christmas season; all form a part of the great Christmas thrill. There is no thrill in the world like unto it.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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NOT WHAT HE EXPECTED

LITTLE DICK was not going to [illegible] for what he got. Several [illegible] offered great disappointment on Christmas morning. When he beheld his Christmas tree he said [illegible] "Why, I thought it was going to be a fir tree," and waved his hat.

"But I thought it was going to look like my kitty," wailed Dick.—Martha B. Thomas.

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A Late "It" Arrival Came Just in Time

EVERYONE was watching, waiting, hoping. They all hoped "it" would surely arrive on time.

They hoped "it" would not fail them.

"It" helped the Christmas season so much.

Everyone and everything loved "it."

The children loved "it," the grown-ups loved "it."

The trees of the forest loved "it."

And then "it" arrived. It arrived late—almost when everyone was giving "it" up. But even though "it" was a late arrival "it" was not too late for Christmas day. "It" came late Christmas eve.

And have n't you guessed what "it" was?

SNOW of course!—Mary Graham Bonner.

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THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT

Christmas spirit necessarily finds many men and women stranded on the shoal, off somewhere, far from the general happiness.

Nevertheless, words of Chandos are vital. "The faculty for happiness is a gift, in any temperament, whose wisdom and whose beauty this world too little recognizes." Chandos thought is not easy for a certain type of mortal to cultivate, but the holiday spirit may to an extent help out. Self-recognition was soundly urged by Marcus Aurelius many centuries ago, and writings of other Stoics preach tranquillity and harmony through the philosophy that says, "It may all be for the best."

A shipwrecked sailor, buried on this coast,
Bids you set sail!
Full many a gallant barque, where he was lost,
Weathered the gale.

Who Is Your Neighbor? A Good Christmas Game

THIS is a very lively Christmas game, and one especially useful in an emergency, for it can be played without preparation of any kind. Arrange as many chairs as there are players in the form of a circle. When this has been done the party must divide into sides, one side being blindfolded and taking possession of the chairs in such a way that each has a vacant chair at his right hand.

The other side then move silently into the middle of the circle, and at a given signal they must all mysteriously and noiselessly seat themselves in the vacant chairs. At the word "sing" the unblindfolded players must all start singing. A well-known tune may be arranged beforehand, or they may all sing anything that happens to occur to them at the time.

All endeavor to disguise their voices as much as possible. The blindfolded players must listen attentively, the object of each being to guess correctly who his singing right-hand neighbor is.

Those whose guesses are correct have their bandages removed, and change places with their singing neighbors. The unsuccessful guessers must try again. Only one guess only is allowed each time.—F. H. Sayles.

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There Is Satisfaction in Trust in the Future

SHE was shabby and old and stooped. As she walked along the streets people turned and looked after her with pitying eyes and thought to themselves what a life of toil hers must be. Yet, had they but known the truth she needed no pity for, although poor in material wealth, she was far richer in other things than many of those who looked upon her with compassion. For her heart was full of contentment, she had a childlike faith and trust in the future and she was content with her lot in life, realizing that while she lacked many of the things which a girl could buy, she had been given many other gifts instead—the fullness of years, good health, a little fireside to call her own as income which, if very scarce, was enough to supply her with necessities, and best of all, the ability to see and enjoy the things which were free, so, while the merry Christmas throng looked at her curiously as they passed, she thought serenely on her way as happy and as much at peace with everything as if all the earth was hers.—Katherine Eddleman.

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Busy Mailmen Add to Our Christmas Cheer

FROM house to house they go with cards and calendars of cheer, presents and surprises. Always cheery, never complaining, how much they add to our Christmas joy and pleasure!

If cross expressions were worn by those who become ill our Christmas presents it would not be the same. And yet they work so hard, go over-hard, they carry so much, and all to others!

Our mailmen are a pretty wonderful lot and our Christmas time is added to by them to a very big degree.

It seems as though we should do our part to give a little cheer to our mailmen in gratitude and appreciation of the spirit in which they do their work.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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THE RIGHT COSTUME, O. K.

Hubby—So you're going to take part in the Christmas Eve entertainment. What part do you take?

Wifey—I take the leading part. I'm Christmas Eve herself.

KEEP A CHRISTMAS RECORD

Why wouldn't it be fun for a family to keep a record book in which to preserve the interesting things about the annual Christmas celebration from year to year? Some people keep a record of the important happenings of their everyday lives, but it is rather inconvenient for the average person to take the time to make it complete enough to be more than a date and a line or two. A Christmas record would give all the details of the family's Christmas presents, the names of the guests, the menu of the Christmas dinner, the amusements and games, and maybe a tracing of the baby's first little shoe! Every succeeding year would add to its value and interest.—C. F. Wadsworth.

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Beauty of the Snow at the Yule Season

THE beauty of snow lies not on wide, glaring expanses, on level, unbroken plains. The eye could not explore, the heart accept, the blinding monotony of such conditions.

The beauty of snow lies in contrast. Who has not seen long, blue shadows creep over it at sunset? Or marked with delight the thin traceings of bare branches shifting over its surface by moonlight? Such interchanges, interpositions, so to speak, relieve it of its challenge. The rise and fall of hills makes the valleys yet more peaceful. The stark, rough "glory of the trees" lends devotion to a landscape; the thinnest, wind-whipped weed weaves patterns of indescribable reality on the pages of the snow.

So it is with Christmas. We could hardly live up to Christmas every day in the year. The whole meaning would become worn and threadbare through constant association. When it does come, it should stand out by contrast, in great and shining beauty. The worries, fruits, failures and disappointments of the months just gone should lend the proper background, so that the purity of the day stands out in white illumination.

And if the heart has not grown big as all hearts do no matter how great the disappointments, the gain be the peacefulness of branches on the faithless page of that pale, pliant material beauty and character.—Martha B. Thomas.

Magic of Christmas Sweeps Entire World

THE magic of Christmas flies over the world to-day, bending the dreary commonplaces of yesterday into things of wonder and worship, and filling the earth with happiness, song and cheer. It permeates the whole earth from end to end and in a heavenly fatal solidarity compels to it in the fullest measure into our hearts at this time, to make a beautiful something that unites us ghosts, our selves and our fellows to greater depths than we ever do at any other time. The whole magic of Christmas time must be sought in trying to penetrate the loneliness and solidarity of others. In this, this wonderful time, we are all one. In trying to penetrate the loneliness of others we penetrate to the very core of our own loneliness. Let us therefore use the magic of Christmas time to fill ourselves so deeply that it overflows only with us at this time but throughout all the days to follow.—Karla Gae Feligan.

UNDER THE OUTSIDE

[illegible]
Who can believe the [illegible]
[illegible] will be [illegible]
[illegible] in the spirit [illegible]

"There is no [illegible] and true spare [illegible] exterior.

If we believed more in the covered, and less in the [illegible] we should [illegible] a day truly [illegible] and good with.—Miriam Bonner.

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Bringing in the Yule Log for a Merry Feast

ONE of the most delightful of the Christmas eve activities was bringing in the Yule log. According to an English writer, this was a massive piece of wood, frequently the root of a tree, ceremoniously marked to look like a tree. It was drawn through the forest with shouting and laughter, while each member reverently selected it, signifying how it to be full of good [illegible] that in its flames would burn away all wrongs [illegible] and [illegible] it came in the [illegible] hall, the living-room of the old castle, each member of the family sat upon it and lifted it in turn, and sang a Yule song, after which all drank to a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. A favorite Yule song began with:

Welcome be ye that [illegible]
Welcome all and make good cheer;
Welcome all another year,
Welcome Yule.

—Ethel Sweet.

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A FAIR EXCHANGE

Laura and Tommy often had important discussions on serious subjects. Christmas evening found them in grave colloquy. There seemed to be a slight ambiguity about who gave them gifts, God or their father. It was a matter which could not be settled. Finally Laura said in a superior tone:

"You know, Tommy, that daddy isn't our only father; we have two."

Tommy appeared surprised. "Who's the other one?" he asked.

"God," answered Laura succinctly.

Tommy gave the occasion much reflection. Then he said gravely:

"Well, I wish Daddy would go to heaven for a while and let God come down and stay with us—I'd like to get acquainted."—M. B. Thomas.

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Off to Dream of Santa's Visit

Signing ten checks at one time. Even with the aid of this machine the Bell Telephone paymaster, H. R. Roney, has quite a job, signing pay checks for the 22,000 employes in Pennsylvania.

Hole digger used by Bell Telephone Company in digging holes for telephone poles. In the old days it took two men an hour to dig each hole with picks and shovels. It can be done in a few minutes with this device.

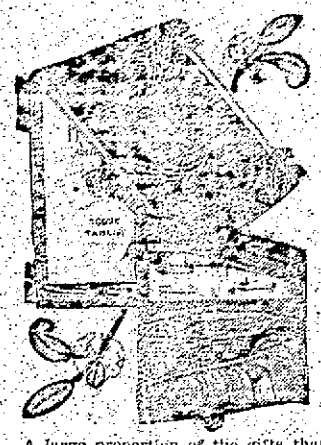
Helping others is Maud C. Harris' hobby. All her life she has been an active charity worker and is now assisting Santa Claus in making gifts for the poor. Miss Harris has been an employe of the Bell Telephone Company in Philadelphia for more than 20 years.

Miss Ada M. Koch, of Shamokin, Pa., has just been granted a pension by the Bell Telephone Co., of which she has been an employe for 31 years.

0	–	OH
1	–	WUN
2	–	TOO
3	–	TH-R-R-EE
4	–	FO-WER
5	–	FI-IV
6	–	SIX
7	–	SEV-EN
8	–	ATE
9	–	NIEN
J	–	JAY
R	–	AHR
M	–	EM
57	–	DOUBLE-U

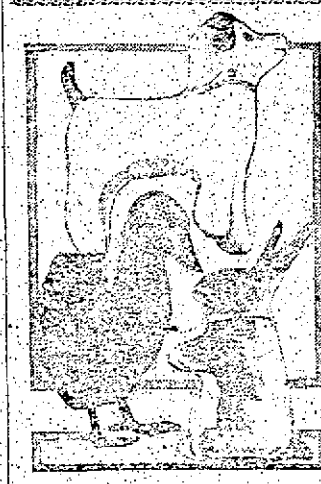
Try them the next time you use the telephone. Directly opposite the numbers on the above chart the words are spelled just the way they should be pronounced over the telephone. The chart is used in the Bell Telephone Operator's Training School to teach proper enunciation.

Novel Gifts of Ribbon



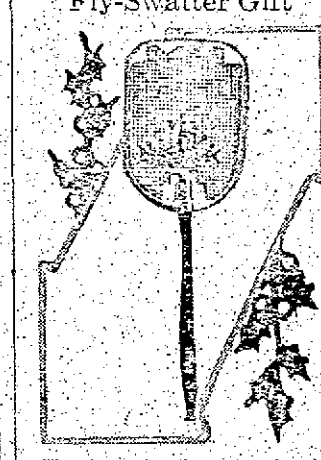
A large proportion of the gifts that contribute most to Christmas joys are small furnishings and personal belongings that friends make for one another. The picture above illustrates a case for a score tablet and a sewing case, both made of ribbon. Black and gold is favored and a heavy black satin ribbon with sprays of gold wheat is used for the score tablet case while black moire makes the sewing case. In each, narrow gold braid is used for binding and plain black satin for lining. The tablet case carries a pencil and may be made to carry cards.

Homemade Cloth Toys



Scraps of canton flannel, eiderdown, plush and velvet serve to make many little animals, cut by paper patterns, the parts machine stitched together and stuffed with sawdust or cotton. Glass beads or shoe buttons serve for eyes, covered wire, colored paper and yarn stitching help in many cases to supply details.

Fly-Swatter Gift



The decorative fly-swatter is added to the list of useful things appropriate for Christmas gifts—and here it is, shown with bright red yarn buttonhole stitched about the edge and having a basket of red and black yarn, filled with little flowers and foliage, done in gay colors (in cross-stitch) just above the end of the handle.

Telephone Screen

Either men or women friends will appreciate a pretty telephone screen for a gift. Here is one with a foundation of cardboard, covered with satin and ornamented with triangles of tapestry or figured ribbon, finished with gold braid. The reverse side is lined with plain silk.

CONGRESSMAN SWOOPE ASSIGNED COMMITTEEMAN

Congressman William I. Swoope has been assigned to the following important committees:

1. Immigration and Naturalization.
2. Invalid Pensions.
3. War Claims.
4. Revision of the Laws.
5. Election No. 3.

The Old Year —and The New

In the year that is drawing to a close the Pennsylvania Railroad has enjoyed the greatest patronage in its history. It has successfully moved a greater tonnage and carried more passengers than any other railroad system in America.

It is deeply grateful for this substantial manifestation of faith and confidence on the part of the public.

It is profoundly appreciative also of the spirit of good will and friendly cooperation which in increasing measure and at all times has been shown by the public to the railroad in connection with the working out of the problems of mutual interest.

It pledges itself anew to do everything in its power to provide adequate and efficient transportation service in the year 1924.

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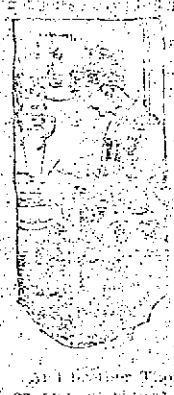

"Comet" and "Cupid" and Santa's Sleigh

By MARTHA B. THOMAS

Where Would Old Kriss Be Without the Aid of His Trusty Reindeer?

COMET and Cupid were growing restless in their stalls. As the two leaders of Santa's reindeer, they felt a great responsibility on Christmas Eve.

"None of the others," remarked Comet pompously, "know the shortcuts as we do. Last year we got stuck in an ice mountain once we had to wade through the Milky Way. Do you remember that little boy in Poland who cried because he didn't see us? We must make a great racket tonight so he will wake up. And there was a child in Canada who let out some hay for us; dear little thing!"

The stable door flew open, letting in a bright gust of icy wind.

"Ah, my dear fellows!" exclaimed a big jolly voice, "the packs are ready, and we must be off. Comet, I expect you to keep a sharp ere out for accidents. Cupid, don't forget the corners, and the care with which we must land on the roofs."

In no time at all the reindeer were harnessed, the packs tumbled in, and off they flew, Santa holding the reins in both hands.

Comet and Cupid outdid themselves. They went like the wind. The little boy in Poland heard their impatient feet on the roof and caught one tiny glimpse of the sleigh. The child in Canada found the hay she had left for the reindeer all gone in the morning. So gave it was lost, no house forgotten.

Back in their stalls once more, Comet and Cupid gave long sighs of satisfaction. "Of course Santa is the one people think about most, but after all, where would he be without us?"

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HARDLY THAT

Christmas is the only morning of the year when one call is sufficient for any youngster.

Santa Claus

John's family were puzzled at first. But after they had shaken their heads together over it for a bit, light suddenly dawned. They realized then that the few cents John and Mary had spent on each of them at Christmas time had been more of a gift, in the real sense of a gift, than their expensive, and often useless, presents in return had been. And they saw, too, what real good that little scattered money was doing this Christmas.

They ended by praising John and Mary, and thinking their Christmas notes the best thing they had got.

And indeed a jolt can be a very useful thing, even for a Christmas present!

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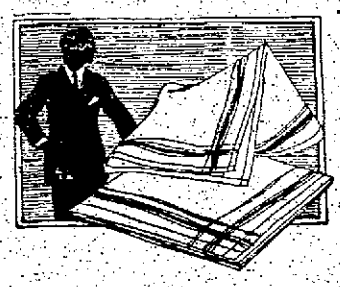
THAT CHRISTMAS ROBE



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PERSONALS

Miss Dorothy Eastman of Darling Pa., will arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Eastman.

Mrs. Arthur Witt and daughter Geraldine returned Saturday from several weeks visit with relatives in Akron, Ohio.

Miss Kathryn Hungerford who attends school at Ithaca, N. Y., is home for the holidays.

C. D. Corwin was a Bradford visitor Thursday.

Mrs. J. L. Morrison and Miss Elsie Sherer were in Bradford Saturday.

Mrs. George Blakesley of Bradford, Pa. was a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson this week.

Miss Ira Terry, Marie and Amelia Malen were shoppers in Bradford Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Forrest and Mrs. I. Walker were in Bradford Friday.

Carrie McGowan was in Erie, Pa. over the week end to attend convention of Chief Operators of Bell Telephone Exchange.

Miss Bernice Erhard who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Oscar Anderon, returned to her home in Ridgway, Pa., Saturday.

Miss Mate Connolly and Louise Heath were Olean shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ellason have moved to Port Allegany, Pa.

Mrs. Nora Peterson of Mt. Jewett was in town over the week end.

Jack Morrison of Clarksburg, W. Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Dora Morrison.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson and daughters, Kathryn and Bernice, were in Olean Saturday.

Harold Engstrom of Kane, Pa., spent Friday here with friends.

Mrs. Arthur Cline of Ratula, Pa., spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Heath.

Mrs. Meyer Zaffron was in Olean Saturday.

Miss Katherine Sullivan was an Olean shopper Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Krynock and family of Erie, Pa., were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty.

Mrs. Albert Cleveland returned Monday from a visit in Warren, Pa.

Mr. Colegrof of Coudersport, Pa., was a business visitor here Monday.

Gerald Deming of the University of Pittsburgh, is spending Christmas vacation here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. George Deming.

Frank Tyler, Erie county sheriff, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McKean.

Mary Anderson and Mrs. Christine Anderson were in Bradford Monday.

Mrs. Fred Miller, and Miss Dorothy Miller were in Bradford Saturday.

Mrs. S. F. Redfield and Mrs. Lincoln Green and Mrs. T. H. Morrison motored to Buffalo Tuesday.

Miss Mena Engstrom entertained the J. H. Club Monday evening.

Paul Karlen and Robert Hamilton who attend State College have returned to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mr. S. F. Redfield was a business visitor in Coudersport Monday.

Bob McCarty who attends school at Pittsburgh arrived Monday to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty.

Eldred visitors Mon...

S. L. Fry is in Buffalo on business. He will drive home in his new Studebaker sedan, purchased through the Smethport Garage Company.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lillibridge were Bradford visitors Tuesday.

Frank McCurdy of Colegrove and Gus Johnson, the Misses Sarah and Inez Billyer were Bradford visitors Saturday evening.

R. W. Herzog and W. J. Kerr returned Monday from New York where they have been on business for the past week.

Hilding Bings who is a student at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, is expected home Saturday.

Miss Nancy Kessler who attends the Eastman School in Rochester, is expected home Saturday, for the holidays.

Hamlin Redfield and Redfield Gillett, who are students at Yale University, are expected home Saturday to spend the holidays.

Tony Sherro is building a new residence on Center street.

C. J. Van Etten is building a new tenant house on Water street.

Mrs. Belle Wilson who has been caring for Miss Octavia Raymer was called to Olean Monday by illness of a niece.

Mrs. Wolden is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Paul Deming.

The Misses Ruth and Clara Kessler, students at Vassar College, and the Misses Willard school, will arrive home today for the holidays.

A Christmas supper will be served in the Baptist church parlors Friday evening, Dec. 21st at six o'clock for the members of the Sunday school and those who attend the church. A short program will be given by the children. Special Christmas music Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hawks of Philadelphia, are the proud parents of a son, David Freeman, born Friday, December 14th. Mrs. Hawks was formerly Miss Helen Freeman of this place.

Mrs. Fay Heigleln of Kane was the guest of her mother-in-law Mrs. M. Heinlein on Friday and Saturday of last week.

Miss Neling Meeker of Port Allegany was in town Thursday calling on friends.

Mrs. Anna Schiff who has been at Pittsburgh visiting friends and relatives here, ... her home in ...rection of Mrs. W. E. Van Dyke, and Mrs. B. H. Redfield, held a Christmas supper Tuesday evening in St. Lukes Parish house.

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Mrs. Lydia Burlingame of Kasson was in town on business Tuesday.

Mrs. H. Hockenbury and Miss Ruth Walker entertained the auction bridge club Wednesday evening at dinner at their home on Green street.

Amanda Sasse left Saturday to spend the winter in Kane, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McCauley and family will occupy the residence of Miss Sasse during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Larson and son Paul spent Sunday in Mt. Jewett.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hungerford have moved into an apartment at the Imperial.

The Emmanon Club held a Christmas party at the home of Irene McCarty Monday evening.

Mrs. Orville Halpenny, entertained the bridge club Thursday eve.

Mrs. Paul Hillery and daughter Doris of Cambridge, Mass arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays with the formers parents Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hunkiville.

H. J. Rice left Monday for Coudersport and Shinglehouse on business.

Earl Larson of Crosby was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Stranburg of Colegrove was in town Wednesday shopping.

Frank Bloomster of Crosby was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. L. L. Fraer of Crosby was in town Wednesday shopping.

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Gold and white gold.

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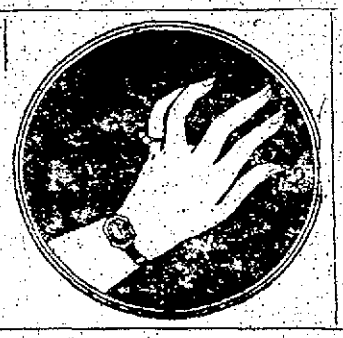

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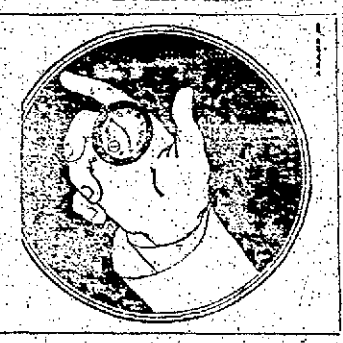

WEEKLY COURT NEWS

Dec. 5 to 12, 1925

DEEDS

Dec. 5 Hale Butterfield et al to Mary B. Wallace, Smethport, $1200.

Dec. 6 Ernest R. Mills to Lucinda R. Mills, Brad., Twp., $300. A. H. Fortner and wife to John A. Clay, Liberty Twp., $1.

Dec. 7 Magdalene Grikniewicz and husband to Antonio Pascale, Bradford, $1. Hartley H. Adair and wife to F. F. Willman, Mc-Kean, $1. J. W. Hubbard and wife to Stanley C. Morian et al Brad., Twp., $1. W. J. Cauley and wife to A. V. Cauley, Annin Twp., $1. Ambrose V. Cauley and wife to Geo. Kleist, Annin Twp., $7000.

Dec. 8 O. L. Wells and wife to J. W. Coast and wife, Bradford, $1. Debbie C. Platts and husband to J. W. Coast and wife, Bradford, $700. Carl J. Lundgren to Carl T. Bexstrom, Mt. Jewett, $1. W. F. Collins and wife to Irving Roberts, Hazelhurst, $1.

Dec. 10 W. M. Leet and wife to Francis Leo Mullin, Annin Twp. $200. L. W. Brooks and wife to E. E. Bryner, Brad., Twp., $1. E. E. Bryner and wife to Walter W. Anderson, Brad., Twp., $1. Augusta Goodman to Florence Goodman Morian et al Exrs. Bradford, $1. C. M. Nash, Trustee et al to Harry Goodman and wife Bradford, $1. Frank P. Isherwood and wife to T. H. Walker, Bradford, $1. Joseph H. Bovaird to Emma M. Bovaird, Bradford, $1.

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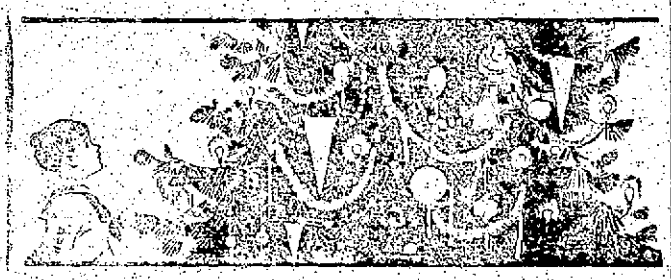

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Ivory Mirrors	Compacts
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Perfume Atomizers	Manicuring Sets
Eyebrow Pencils	Bridge Sets
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Stationery	Correspondence Tablets
Candles and	Ivory and Shell Jewel
Candle Holders	Boxes
Pipes	Ivory and Shell
Cigars	Hair Receivers
Safety Razors	Electric Lamps
Cameras	Kodaks and Cameras
Cent-Till Folders	Hair Brush Sets
Ladies' Hand Bags	Combs

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MORE

Dec. 5 Clarence wife to H. C. Bean $5000.

Dec. 6 Cora L. Foster and husband to James George, Brad., Twp., $1000. Archie Williams and wife to Bradford Bldg., Loan & Savings Assn., Bradford, $500. E. M. Ketchmeg to E. L. Jones, Brad., $5800.

Dec. 7 John Nelson to Samuel Phillips, Mt. Jewett, $2000 Stanley C. Morian et al to J. W. Hubbard, Brad., Twp., $30,000 George D. Kester et al to Federal Land Bank Balt., Annin Twp., $2500.

Dec. 8 J. W. Coast and wife to O. L. Wells and wife, Bradford, $1880.

Dec. 10 Harry Goodman and wife to McKean County Trust Co., Bradford, $4500. Rose O. Mongillo and husband to James George, Bradford $1000.

SATISFACTION MORTGAGES

Dec. 5 Rev. James M. Davison to General Jackson Kelly et al, Brad., $1500. Maggie Kenyon to Axel Bolin, Brad., Twp., $1300. McKean Co. Bldg. & Loan Assn. to Clara E. Ludwig and husband, Bradford $800.

Dec. 6 Howard M. Ellis et al Adm to W. O. Neely et al Eldred Twp., $12,000.

Dec. 7 P. G. Harper to Solomon Engelsby and wife Bradford $2000 W. M. Horn Agwer Exr to Thomas D. Washburn and wife, Ceres, $350.

Dec. 8 Daniel F. McCarthy to Nick Boye and wife Bradford $700.

JUDGMENTS

No. 101 Dec. Tr. '25 W. L. Dykes vs Oscar E. Gustafson $1387.92.

No. 102 Cyclone Manufacturing Co., vs Superior Brush Co., Inc., $12,896.37.

No. 103 Hamlin Bank & Trust Co., vs Mrs. Kathryn L. Sullivan, $400.

No. 104 First National Bank vs Carrie Lamphere, $680.49.

No. 105 Thos. B. Wilson vs Carl E. Palmquist, $255.

No. 106 Same vs Same, $206.67.

No. 107 August Heimbuch vs Carl Goodell, $128.15.

No. 11, Feb. Tr. '24 The Mt. Jewett Nat'l Bank vs C. E. Stimmel, $2350.

No. 12 E. J. Davis vs W. P. Scott, $265.

No. 13 William N. Farnham vs E. A. Lawand, $79.88.

No. 14 George Richards vs Wilbur H. Field, $1000 Def.

No. 19 Margaret O'Brien vs G. B. Wolfe, Anna M. Wolfe, $2150.

No. 21 Dan Korvin vs Anna M. Wolfe, $1000.

NEW SUITS

No. 1 Feb. Tr. '24 Genevieve S. Webster vs Philip L. Webster, Divorce.

No. 13 Laura Woodward vs Michael O'Mara, Appeal.

No. 14 Valvoline Oil Co., vs Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Co. Assumpsit.

No. 18 Nella Ashworth vs Asa Ashworth, Divorce.

No. 20 E. E. Greeley vs Evalina Greeley, Divorce.

EXECUTIONS

No. 11 Dec. Tr. '25 George Gearson vs Gus L. Cahas, $3500.

No. 16 Thos. B. Wilson vs Carl E. Palmquist, $255.

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No. 2 The Caloric Furnace Co. of Erie etc As Charles E. Stimmel et al $362.48 Alias.

No. 3 H. E. Brown vs Walter A. Brenneman, $531.75 Pluries.

FINE FARM HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Bradford, Dec. 15.—"Baroudale" the pretentious farm house at State Line, was completely destroyed by fire of a mysterious origin about 10:30 o'clock last night. Due to the absence of fire-fighting apparatus, little could be done to save the house and efforts of the Bradford Fire Department, which was summoned, and of many who were attracted to the scene by the blaze, which was visible for many miles around, were concentrated on saving furniture and valuables and in confining the flames to the house.

Attracted by the flare of the blaze hundreds of automobiles gathered at the scene from all parts of the surrounding territory, many going from Bradford. It is owned by Mrs M. Preston Straight, and was occupied by Mrs. Straight and Mrs. F. S. Robins.

OFFICIAL NEWS OF COOLIDGE CANDIDACY

Washington, Dec. 15.—Official announcement was made at the White House today that President Coolidge will be a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination in the South Dakota primaries next spring. The president wrote a letter to Sam Elrod, former governor of South Dakota, the president's chief supporter in the recent state convention, authorizing him to enter his name on the primary ballots in South Dakota.

approached the ...rembling.

"Is there no hope of my husband—"

"Go on, madam! . . . ."

"Is there no hope, doctor; is there no hope?"

"That depends, madam, on what you are hoping for," said the doctor, reaching for his hat.

TWO OF A KIND

I suppose your husband when a baby used to put his little toes in his mouth?

Oh, yes. And when he goes out with me in company he generally puts his foot in it.

Conversational Philanthropy.

How oft a maid with *plumes* good
Amid the throng will walk,
He talks of "human brotherhood"
And pays his dues in talk.

His Quarry Found.

A young Swede appeared at the county judge's office and asked for a license.

"What kind of a license?" asked the judge. "A hunting license?"

"No," was the answer. "Aye tank aye bane hunting long enough. Aye want marriage license."—Freeman's Journal.

She Knew Papa.

She—Now, listen, dear; papa is likely to accuse you of seeking my hand merely to become his son-in-law.

He (indignantly)—I shall resent such a charge?

She—No, dear; better agree with him. I know papa . . . 's a lot prouder of himself than he is of me.

Assigning Him His Part.

The Groom—Mebbe those eggs weren't quite up to grade but I'm too busy to talk about it just now.

Mrs. Chatterton—Who asked you to talk, anyway? I'm doing the talking. You listen.

A Good Start.

And has that young promoter counted your heart?

No, but he is beginning to hand out that "one of our representatives will call upon you" line of talk.

Wants Are Comparative.

"Man wants but little here below."
At least, so he observes.
Compared what he wants with what
He feels that he deserves.

Envied Newton.

Teacher—Newton discovered the law of gravity by an apple falling from a tree upon his head.

Johnny (a reluctant pupil)—Yes'm; if I'd been in school we'd never have discovered anything at all.

Too Short a Time.

Magistrate (to Scot charged with assault)—I've a good mind to send you to prison for six months.

Prisoner—You canna dae that. I told ye, mon, I'm only doon to London for the week.

JUST SO.

She: I don't know what millionaires see in chorus girls.

He: No—nor on 'em, either.

Paper.

Paper clothing, paper bags,
Paper dishes, paper tags,
Paper money for your wage,
We live in a paper age.

Natural Surprise.

Mr. Brown—I had a queer dream last night. I thought I saw another man running off with you.

Mrs. Brown—And what did you say to him?

"I asked him why he was running."—London Tit-Bits.

Disqualified.

The caller begged the little daughter of his hostess for a kiss. "Kissing is only for children," she told him.

"Well, aren't you a child?" he asked.

"Perhaps," she replied, "but I don't call you one."

A Giveaway All Around.

"I think," she said as she came into the room, "that I will give that parrot away."

"Yes," replied the young man who was calling; "it would only be tit for tat. It has been doing as much for you."

Where He Is.

Optimist—What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to tell you the bright sayings of his kid?

Pessimist—He's now telling you the latest station he's got over the radio.

Bargain Appeal.

"I can see now why you men like baseball," remarked Mrs. Burlap. "I appreciate these extra or bargain innings. Now an opera never gives you an extra act."

& P. R. R. SENDS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Railway is sending out handsome Christmas cards this season with the following sentiment expressed on them:

AN OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

'Twas the night before Christmas
And all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring——

This poem written in 1822 by Clement C. Moore has delighted the children for the last hundred years and will probably delight the children of ages to come.

Christmas has always belonged to the children and that is why it belongs to you and me, for we are but children in the scheme of the Universe.

Christmas is the season of unselfishness, the season for sowing seeds of happiness, and indeed blessed is he who takes his reward in the happiness of others. Christmas Day for the railroad man is a day of work. Our trains must move on time, our coaches must be fresh and clean. Yes, we must work on this day when others are gathered for an old fashioned Christmas, but therein lies an added opportunity for us to carry out the good-will spirit of the Christmas Day by giving our whole-hearted service to the homeward bound traveler.

Prior to Christmas, the express and mails will run heavy, laden with remembrances of good cheer. The Christmas shopper will be going home, arms full of Christmas gift packages. All this traffic is our opportunity as railroad men to render instituted service by prompt and accurate dispatch of the express and mails and by courteously assisting the shopper with her packages and by using additional care that no packages are forgotten and left in trains or stations. Coach steps and station platforms may be wet and slippery and such as these is urged to exercise especial care and diligence that the aged or infirm may meet with no accident.

Many little chances will present themselves for you to express through "Safety and Service" the devine Christmas Spirit of unselfishness and I know that every man in the service will, by conscientious devotion to duty, uphold our tradition of the "Home Road" this Christmas season.

To you and those near and dear to you,
I wish a Very Merry Christmas.

This is an old-time sentiment, but it comes from me whole-heartedly and in an old-fashioned way.

H. E. HUNTINGTON
General Passenger Agent

BRADFORD MAN RETURNS FROM TOUR OF RUHR

R. E. Frost of this city has just returned from an extended trip through Germany. He went to that country in August and left November 14.

During his visit Mr. Frost had an excellent opportunity to observe conditions in that country. He states that the German people especially the poorer class are in very distressing circumstances because a worker only receives 20 cents a day for his labor while a two pound loaf of bread costs that much. Coffee, tea and ea... are used only by the rich.

The country is full of strikes and the water front at Hamburg resembles a minature battle field filled with soldiers and machine guns which are used to quell disturbances of various kinds.

The conditions in the Ruhr district are practically the same. The men are paid in marks, and often the day after the men receive their wages, the money is worth only half owing to fluctation of the mark from day to day. Every day large numbers die from starvation. There is great dissatisfaction in the Ruhr districts because the miners and other workers in that section believe that the burden of paying Germany's war debt has been placed upon their shoulders. He predicts that the Ruhr district will make little progress as long as the French occupy that section of the country.—Star Ite. 17.

HURLS BOTTLED GAS IN WINDOW AND WHAT FOR?

Last night four bottles one filled with gasoline, were thrown through the window and door at 20 Chambers street, occupied by Mrs. Emily Starks. The police are convinced that a deliberate attempt was made to set the building afire, presumably from a spirit of enmity toward the occupant. A small stove was burning just inside the window. The three empty bottles were evidently thrown through the plate glass window, followed by the bottle containing the gasoline, from which the cork had been withdrawn. The evident intention was to ignite the gasoline from the stove. A warrant was afterwards sworn out, before Alderman Foley, at the instance of Mrs. Starks, for the arrest of a woman who is said to have done the throwing.—Brad. Her. 15

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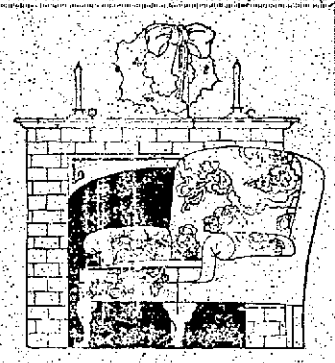

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THE minister had a stocking, too. The sprites that put into it a candy cane, a lollipop, a ball, an apple and a motor car that would go, had added a mouth organ, most appropriate and perhaps most needed of all gifts, for what other mouth should so dispose harmony?

Then, after breakfast, came the procession into the parlor and unto the wonderful tree. First, little Sarah, with the early and aided steps of her one year and the big eyes of her first Christmas tree. Then demure Helen, blowing her own horn for once, then big Sarah and all the uncles, aunts and cousins, then father and mother, and then the minister, playing his new march upon his new organ.

When they were all seated in the happy circle they asked for the words of that new tune and here they are:

If birds could sing in Christmas trees
If they could hum with happy bees
If they were sweet with all the spice
Of all things beautiful and nice,
They could not altogether be
More full of love than this, our tree.
Chorus.—March, march to the Christmas tree.
It has a loving gift for thee.

Then they all sang it, after which the beautiful tree yielded its fruit.—Christopher G. Hazard.

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Christmas Telegrams Add Yuletide Cheer

HE WAS always busy, always rushing, always hurrying. He always had so many things to attend to and so many people were constantly pressing upon his time with this demand, with that, which required attention.

He wished he could see more of his friends. His friends wished they could see more of him. He was the sort they would like to see more of and at times they were a little annoyed that he was so busy.

He was busier than was really normal. They said he had no time for the pleasant things of life and that he could neither enjoy things himself, nor could he be enjoyed because he was always having so much to do.

But he took time for one thing. He never failed to take time for it.

Every Christmas he sent all his friends beautiful Christmas telegrams of cheer. He thought of them and he remembered them and every Christmas morning as his friends opened their day Christmas telegrams they would say:

"He always finds time to think of me on Christmas morning, anyway. What a pleasure this is!"—Mary Graham Bonner.

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REAL SPIRIT

IF THE real spirit of Christmas is within us we will, indeed, find that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and we will give out of the fullness of our hearts and because of the joy that giving brings us, instead of from any other motive. So to get the real joy of giving and to receive the richness of the Christmas spirit in fullest measure, give because your heart prompts you to and forget all else.—Katherine Edelman.

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"It Is More Blessed to Give Than Receive"

THIS has nothing to do with banks or savings accounts, but more money is saved at Christmas time than any other time of the year. Yes, saved. That may sound absurd to a lot of people who have spent all their money buying presents for their families and friends and neighbors, but it is true just the same. How? Why, because giving is the finest sort of saving, and not only saving, but investing. Every good gift is a permanent gain to the giver; it is better than a bank book carrying the same amount, for a gift is more truly a saving than credit account on a bank ledger. If you want to save your money, give it away—wisely. Does that sound unreasonable? Remember, it is more blessed to give than receive.—F. H. Sweet.

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AUNT MEHITABLE'S PRESENT

Aunt Mehitable had a powerful and active imagination that often kept her awake. She was ever creating difficulties by imagining them and making things crooked by trying to straighten them out. "Hiram," said she, "I can't think what has got into George; I didn't like the way he looked at us this morning."

"Probably he was thinking of somebody else," answered her brother.

"George," began his aunt the next day, "what was the matter with you yesterday morning; you looked sourer 'n pickles."

"Nothin' was the matter with me," said the boy, "I was puzzlin' over your Christmas present." Then he added, "Since you're so mighty suspicious, I guess I'll give it up." But remembering her goodness of heart, George relented, and, when the day that shines away all unpleasantness came round, Aunt Mehitable had a new nightcap!—C. G. Hazard.

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REPORT

Road Funds—
December, 1923
Court House, Dec. 3, 1923.
Secy. & Treas. Dr.

To Amount in Hamlin Bank from last Auditors' Report ..... $ 319.33
Amount Rec'd from Collector Rice 7228.46
Amount rec'd from County Treasurer 1115.12
Amount rec'd from G. W. King 28.60
TOTAL ..... $ 2056.51

Cr.
Roadmaster Hewitt ..... $ 627.00
" Thomas 661.00
" Cornelius 560.00
Teamwork, Hewitt 130.75
" Thomas 330.00
" Cornelius 127.00
By amount paid for labor Hewitt 325.00
By amount paid for labor Thomas 333.00
By amount paid for labor Cornelius 807.50
By amount paid for tractor engine hire Hewitt 418.00
By amount paid for tractor engine hire Thomas 102.00
By amount paid for tractor engine hire Cornelius 160.00
By amount paid Collector Fee H. J. Rice 332.90
By amount paid Plumber 22.44
By amount paid Gasoline & Oil 803.02
By amount paid Attending Convention 12.00
By amount paid Postage, Stationery, Telephone, Office Supplies 45.12
By amount paid Secretary & Treasurer's Salary 150.00
By amount paid Attorney Fee 106.25
By amount paid Printing & Auditing 287.77
By amount paid Blacksmithing & Repairs to Machinery 328.07
By amount paid Freight & Drayage 66.98
By amount paid Water Troughs 24.00
By amount paid New Machinery 70.00
By amount paid Hardware 87.15
By amount paid Int. on Notes 51.33
By amount paid Tractor Service Blanks 1.50
By amount paid Ground Rent 26.00
By amount paid Notes 432.93
By amount paid Miscellaneous 4.50
By Sterling plate Tax on ..... [illegible]
To Amount in Hamlin Bank to Balance 221.53
TOTAL ..... $ 2056.51

Road Bond Fund
Dr.
To amount in Hamlin Bank from last Auditors' Report ..... $ 215.02
To amount received from Collector Rice 1575.91
To amount received from G. W. King 128.56
TOTAL ..... $ 2319.49

Cr.
By paid Bond No. 1 Series A ..... $ 500.00
By paid Bond No. 2 Series A 500.00
By paid Bond No. 3 Series A 500.00
By paid Int. Coupons 267.50
By paid on Int. Coupons ..... [illegible]
By paid Int. on Notes 267.50
By paid Int. on Notes, 1923 ..... 1.50
To Amt. in Hamlin Bank to Balance 302.49
TOTAL ..... $ 2319.49

Road Special
Dr.
Balance in Hamlin Bank from Auditors' Report ..... $ 340.38
To amount received Dec. 3rd, 1923, from Rice 2072.01
To amount received from Co. Treasurer McCann 722.71
TOTAL ..... $ 3135.10

Dr.
By paid Labor ..... $ 18.00
" " Teamwork 88.50
" " Secretary & Treasurer's Salary 162.42
By paid Int. on Loans 138.93
By paid Collector Fee H. J. Rice 26.33
By paid For Blade & Bolts 14.50
By paid Payment on Tractor 335.00
By paid For Attending Supervisors Meeting 10.00
By paid State Tax 45.71
" " Tractor Repairs 97.76
" " Roadmasters 160.00
" " Pins 822.80
" " Typewriting Auditors Report 5.00
By paid Bridge Plank 167.31
" " Hardware 23.27
To Amount in Hamlin Bank To Balance 1019.51
TOTAL ..... $ 3135.10

Road—H. J. Rice in account with Keating Township
Dr.
Balance on 1921 duplicate ..... $ 29.94
Cr.
Paid on 1921 duplicate ..... $ 29.94

Bond
Dr.
Balance on 1921 Bond Duplicate ..... $ 7.26
Cr.
Paid on 1921 Bond Duplicate ..... $ 7.26

Special
Dr.
Balance due on 1921 Duplicate ..... $ 54.13
Cr.
By amount paid on 1921 duplicate ..... $ 54.13

Road Duplicate 1922
To amount due on 1922 Road Duplicate ..... $ 1261.81
Cr.
By amount paid on 1922 road Duplicate ..... $ 1097.26
To amount due to balance on 1922 duplicate 107.55
TOTAL ..... $ 1261.81

Bond
Dr.
To amount due on 1922 Bond Duplicate ..... $ 310.88
Cr.
By amount paid on 1922 Bond Duplicate ..... $ 208.40
By amount transferred from special to Bond 82.41
Amount due from Coll. Rice to Balance 20.07
TOTAL ..... $ 310.88

Dr.
Special
Balance due on 1922 road Special ..... $ 148.82
Cr.
By Amount paid on 1922 road Special 115.82

Dr.
Road 1923
Amount of road duplicate 1923 ..... $ 1418.13
By amount added to duplicate after Oct. 1 ..... 5.00
TOTAL ..... $ 1423.13
Cr.
By amount paid on 1923 road duplicate ..... $ 1418.13
By amount allowed on Supervisors Account 5.00
By amount collected at par 251.22
By amount collected at par 11.00
By amount allowed for abatement 15.87
Amount due from Collector Rice to Balance 281.68
TOTAL ..... $ 1983.09

Special 1923
Dr.
To amount of road Special duplicate 1923 ..... $ 1872.73
Amount added after Oct. 1 ..... 15.36
TOTAL ..... $ 1888.09
Cr.
By amount collected 5% discount allowed taxpayers ..... $ 1329.51
By amount allowed taxpayers 5% Discount 61.71
By amount collected at par 251.22
By amount added 11.00
By amount allowed for abatement 15.87
Amount due from Collector Rice to Balance 281.68
TOTAL ..... $ 1888.09

RESOURCES OF KEATING TOWNSHIP
Uncollected taxes estimated Road ..... $ 1800.00
Uncollected taxes estimated Bond 360.00
Uncollected taxes estimated Special 200.00
By amount due from Collector Rice Road duplicate 1922 ..... 107.55
By amount due from Collector Rice Bond duplicate 1922 ..... 20.07
By amount due from Collector Rice Road duplicate 1923 ..... 1116.32
By amount due from Collector Rice Bond duplicate 1923 ..... 281.68
By amount due from Collector Rice Special duplicate 1923 ..... 281.68
By amount in Hamlin Bank Road Fund 421.53
By account in Hamlin Bank Bond Fund 302.49
To amount in Hamlin Bank Special Fund 1019.51
Keating Township on hand agreed at 8065.60
TOTAL ..... $ 12762.93

LIABILITIES
Outstanding Bonds 3500.00
Outstanding Orders 619.67
Outstanding Loans 1550.00
Liabilities in excess of resources 58.74
TOTAL ..... $ 12762.93

We the Auditors of Keating Township, having examined the accounts of Treasurer B. E. Curtis and Collector H. J. Rice, do find them as above stated.

GOLDIE M. [illegible] Auditors.
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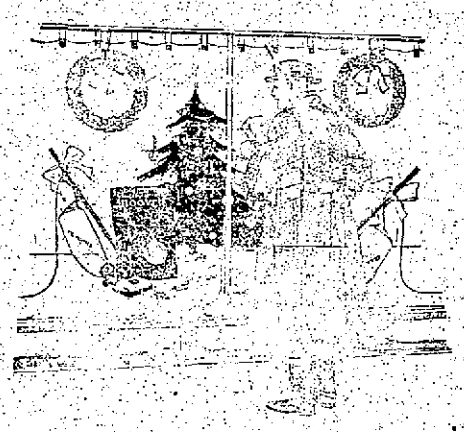

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HIGH

Well we see a get what the Col ed. The score bein 22-5, 28 favor.

Say Everald. Who is your latest affinity?

We wonder who Mike Knows in Derrick City.

Miss Preston wonders at the increase of reading in Eng. IV.

According to Bob, the Chemistry class takes the apple.

We wonder if Ethe Hoodmaker Bensch?

Several of our Male students thought that the Christmas vacation started Monday, Dec. 17th, instead of the 24th. Too bad some one told them they were wrong.

Miss Leghmer says that "You are not supposed to talk to yourself" Harriet S.

Ask Darrel if he keeps a gentleman's bet.

HEARD ABOUT THE HALL

Well, glad to see you back Buck, after your illness last week.

One more day and then no more.

We miss Georges "voice" in the orchestra.

According to Freshman, Bobs supply of apples has diminished.

A CORDIAL INVITATION

Bob Brownell—(after interview with doctor). "The doctor told me to take regular exercise with dumbells and I ask you members of the Chemistry class to join me tomorrow before breakfast."

By the looks of one of our Senior boys who returned from Bradford wearing a green tie, we judged Greenwald had established an agency here.

TRUCK LOADED WITH POTATOES TURNS TURTLE

While Ascending Sherman Street in Bradford, Gears are Stripped and Machine Turns Over With Heavy Load of Potatoes.

What might have been a very serious accident occured this afternoon on Sherman street, when a truck loaded with potatoes turned turtle while attempting to make the hill and pinned underneath one of the occupants. He escaped fortunately without serious injury as did his companion.

Ora Beach and Glen Edington of Delevan, N. Y., came to this city this morning with a car load of potatoes which they were going to sell. They were driving up the steep Sherman street, when the heavy load caused the gears to strip and the large truck turned completely over with one man pinned under. The potatoes, like Humpty Dumpty, also took a great fall. The accident occured directly in front of C. C. Stratton's home as Myron Stratton and others hurried to assist the men who had figured in the accident. The truck was removed from the one underneath and he and the other man were given first aid. Some one telephoned for Koch & Oxley's ambulance which arrived at the scene directly, but its services were not needed.

One of the occupants of the truck suffered a laceration on his head while the other sustained a minor injury to his leg. The top of the truck was smashed and there was also other damage to the machine but it was repaired so the two men could return to Delevan.—Star 18.

Mrs. Harold Boothe returned home Monday after a ten day visit with Bixford relatives.

Mr. Harold Boothe has returned from Hamondsport, N. Y., where he was the guest of relatives.

Cecil Reynolds entertained a few friends on Sunday evening.

Dec. 23, service at 11; A. M. Sunday School at 2: P. M. and Service in the evening at 7:30.

Christmas Day, early service at 5:30 in the morning; in the evening at 7:30 the Sunday School will have its Recitals. You are cordially invited to all these meetings.

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Morning Worship, 10:30

Christmas Sermon

Bible School, 12:

Evening Worship, 7:30

Rev. Guy Lawton, Pastor

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Christmas Carols Monday evening, Dec. 24th, 7:00 o'clock.

Christmas Day services, 7:30 and 10:30 A. M.

Rev. W. S. Van Dyke, Rector

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. S. A. Renicks, Pastor

Services on Lord's day, 11:30 a. m. Morning and evening, the sermons will be on the birth of Christ. Bible School, 11:45 a. m. There will be a Christmas treat for the Sunday School on Friday night at six o'clock, to which all the members of the School are invited. Prayer meeting of Friday night, 7:30. All are welcome.

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E. SMETHPORT UNION CHURCH Rev. V. E. Oviatt, Pastor.

Class Meeting, 10 a. m.

Sunday School 10:30 a. m.

Christian Endeavor 7: p. m.

Evening Worship, 8: p. m.

Cottage Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Prayer Meeting Thursday 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Tree and program at Union Church on Friday evening, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p. m.

FARMERS VALLEY U. B. CHURCH

Sunday School 2: p. m.

Christmas Service, 3: p. m.

Prayer Meeting Tuesday, 8: p. m.

CORYVILLE U. B. CHURCH

Sunday School, 10: a. m.

Morning Worship, 11: a. m.

Christmas Service Friday, evening Dec. 21st.

"SAY IT WITH FLOWERS."

Holly wreaths, Holly, baskets of of natural flowers, Roses, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Stevia and Paper white Narcissus, Cyclamen, Begonias, Chinese and obconica Primroses and ferns grown by the Port Allegany Greenhouses, will make best gifts for Christmas. Try them, we wish all a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. M. E. G. Ventres,

Port Allegany, Pa.

The teacher was trying to impress on the children how important had been the discoveryyy had been the discovery of the law of gravitation, says Judge.

"Sir Issac Newton was sitting on the ground, looking at the treee. An apple fell on his head and from that he discovered gravitation. Just think, children," she added, "isn't that wonderful.

The inevitable small boy replied: "Yes'm an' if he had been settin' in school lookin' at his books, he wouldn't never have discovered nothin'."

A doctor was called in to see a negro who was down with influenza, relates "Everybody's."

"What I gwine to gib him," dat asked the wife.

"Give him whiskey," the physician responded.

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